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New penalties after just one prosecution in four years

TOUGHER STANCE ON FLY-TIPPING

By Jordan Harris

TOUGHER penalties could be introduced for fly-tippers – after it was revealed that just one offender in Cannock Chase has been prosecuted in four years.

Cannock Chase Council is planning to give culprits the maximum penalty they can by law.

The authority has revealed it has spent cash from a budget just shy of £100,000 since 2012 on clearing and enforcing fly-tipping rules. Just one person has been prosecuted from 1,431 reported incidents.

The authority is now looking at fining people £400 with a fixed penalty notice, with no reduction for early payment. The plans will be discussed during a council cabinet meeting today (Thursday).

Council bosses believe the new penalty will be a cheaper way of dealing with fly-tipping than prosecuting people in court.

A report to be discussed at the cabinet meeting reads: "Fly-tipping is a significant problem to local communities and a risk to the environment.

"It is a drain on the council's resources and also undermines legitimate waste businesses where unscrupulous operators undercut those that operate within the law."

Cameras

Councils across the West Midlands have been taking action to reduce fly-tipping over recent years, including installing more CCTV cameras and encouraging members of the public to use new mobile phone apps to report a case where they have seen someone dumping rubbish.

Councillor George Adamson, leader of Cannock Chase District Council, said the plans would make it easier and quicker for the council to deal with fly-tipping.

"Taking someone to court for fly-tipping is a long, drawn out procedure that is costly for us," he said."This way, we can hit people with a fixed penalty straight away.

"It should act as a deterrent because people will know that rather than possibly going to court or possibly not, they will definitely be getting a hefty fine."

In 2012/13, the council received 318 reports of fly-tipping, increasing to 334 the following year then 416.

Councillor Adamson said the fly-tipping problem in the borough was the result of 'idle morons' who 'can't be bothered' to use the free tip service provided.

"Hopefully this new fixed penalty scheme will see a change in this attitude," he said.

GO, GO, GO! KARTS RACE THROUGH STREETS

Competitors race down the track in their hand-crafted vehicles during the second annual Burntwood kart race

BURNTWOOD was turned into a race track as the town's annual kart derby hit the streets.

The Burntwood Kart Derby saw a section of the Cannock Road closed by the town's shopping centre as the hand-built vehicles whizzed around the streets.

Hundreds of spectators lined the course to cheer on the teams as people-powered home-made karts were pushed or pulled as they raced to be crowned best in town.

It follows the success of the town's first ever kart derby, which took place on the Saturday of the August Bank Holiday weekend last year.

KP Events were the organisers behind the event. Kevin Wilson, from the company, said he was expecting it to grow in popularity and stature this year.

Brothers

He added: "The event is the brainchild of Burntwood Town Council and we were only too happy to take the idea and work with them to make it happen again." Guest judges were local brothers Craig and Chris Danby, robot designers who travel around the world demonstrating their creations. The duo will also be appearing on the relaunched Robot Wars when it returns to BBC2 this summer.

Teams of all shapes and sizes were welcome to take part including junior, corporate and family teams.

Prizes ranged from best dressed push kart to fastest along with best technical design soap box.

PROMOTIONS

Appy news as deal software to launch

A NEW app designed to offer Cannock Chase residents discounted deals with local businesses is expected to be given the green light – at a cost of nearly £10,000.

Cannock Chase District Council wants to roll out the Good Life Deals app and website. Businesses will pay to advertise a deal on the app, which in turn will allow customers to redeem the advertised offer in store.

It is expected to cost £9,000 to launch and £2,500 per year to maintain, but the council hopes enough businesses will advertise to raise the necessary annual funds.

ACTIVITIES

Have a blast with Space programme

YOUNGSTERS can have a blast as a holiday play scheme bursts into action.

Space 2016 , aimed at 11-to-17-year-olds, will blast off next Monday with activities in Cannock, Hednesford and Rugeley.

Space – Staffordshire Police Activity and Community Enterprise – first ran until the 1990s, but has been revived as Space 2016, co-ordinated by the Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner.

To check activities, visit www.staffordshirespace.uk

LEGENDS

Banks and Pele in sports bar reunion

LEGENDARY England goalkeeper Gordon Banks will be reunited with Pele – the world's best ever player – in Cannock.

The Brazilian, who won three World Cups, is at Bar Sport's Premier Suite for a lunch event on Sunday September 18. And Banks, who made a famously brilliant save from a Pele header at Mexico 1970, will also be there.

Owner Scott Murray said: "To have Pele at the Premier Suite is a dream come true. To have Gordon Banks at the event will make it event even more special."

Tickets are between £100 and £650. Call 01543 572092.

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Soroptimists' tribute to last of The Gals

Georgina Ward

SOROPTIMISTS in Cannock have paid tribute to one of their long-standing members who has died at the age of 93.

Georgina Ward was among a group fondly known as 'The Gals', but was the last one remaining following the deaths in the last 18 months of Dora Leighton and June Hardman. Soroptimist president Carole Holdcroft described Mrs Ward as a 'stalwart' member, attending all meetings and events until very recently.

She added: "She always had a smile on her face and a joyful greeting to everyone." Mrs Ward was born in Cannock in October 1922, the second of six children born to Mr & Mrs Johnson. She began work at 16, at the haberdashers near Taylors cake and bread shop in the town, and married at 18.

Her husband Stan was conscripted, and sent abroad for more than four years, when their only contact was by letter.

During that time Mrs Ward went to work at Boots in Wolverhampton; some 12 years later she moved back to Cannock as the manageress of Sketchley's in the town centre. It was during her 30 years there that she became well known by so many people.

Mrs Ward became a member of Soroptimst International in January 1973, was president in the club's 25th year, 1979-80, and was particularly delighted to be made an honorary member two years ago.

Mrs Holdcroft said: "She served on committees, held meetings at her home and supported all that Soroptimists do to educate, empower and enable women less fortunate than themselves, always displaying a very positive attitude. Georgina – like all of The Gals – will be sadly missed by members past and present."

Mrs Ward's funeral service was held at St Luke's Church, where she married and which she attended all her life. Donations were made to Compton Hospice, which had cared for her late husband many years ago.

Health centre told to improve by inspectors

A HEALTH centre in Rugeley with more than 11,000 patients has been deemed 'inadequate' in terms of safety.

The Hillsprings Health and Wellbeing Centre, at Lovett Court, was ordered to improve by inspectors. It was given an overall rating of 'requires improvement' by CQC inspectors who visited in March.

Inspectors gave the practice an 'inadequate' rating for safety and 'requires improvement' for effectiveness, care, responsiveness and leadership.

Some of the key concerns raised include not properly reviewing significant safety events in order to learn from them and not properly assessing risks to patients.

Communication issues were also a problem, with patients telling inspectors that the biggest challenge they faced was getting through to them on the phone, while the practice was also inconsistent with its storage of vaccines.

The practice forms part of the Horse Fair Practice Group, which also runs Horse Fair Practice in Sandy Lane Health Centre and the Armitage Surgery in Rugeley.

Medicines

Dr Mukesh Singh of the Horse Fair Practice Group said: "We would like to reassure our patients that we are working very hard to meet the CQC's recommendations within the six-month period we have to address the issues they have raised."

Meanwhile, inspectors found the service provided at a Rugeley care home was 'not consistently safe', while medicines were not always recorded correctly.

Hawksyard Priory Nursing Home, Armitage Road, Armitage, was said to have improved since a previous check but further enhancements are required to ensure medicines are managed safely, the CQC said.

Although the May 9 visit showed improvements had been made since the previous one last July, inspectors said staff had not fulfilled all the requirements suggested.

A spokesman said: "They know there is an area that needs to have attention and it is being dealt with at the moment."

Staff were found to have supported people at meal times well and given them a choice of food. Specialist diets were accommodated for residents and different meals could be provided if required.

Cyclists invited to hit the road

The launch of Chase Active Inclusive Cycling at Chase Leisure Centre in Cannock

CYCLISTS are being encouraged to take part in instructor-led sessions at locations throughout the Cannock Chase district.

Chase Active Inclusive Cycling aims to 'enable residents of all abilities including those who are disabled to get out in the fresh air, as well as keeping fit and healthy.

The project has been launched by Chase Community Partnership, which has provided funding, and Inspiring Healthy Lifestyles.

It follows a consultation carried out by Inspiring Healthy Lifestyles during Chase Active Friday which identified a need for a cycling programme in the district.

Wheels For All, a nationwide provider of inclusive cycling, also delivered several sessions, which led to the development of a group that looked at how inclusive opportunities could be brought to Cannock Chase.

Councillor Christine Mitchell, the district council's portfolio leader for culture and sport, said: "This programme will address the need for cycling which was identified by residents during the consultation. The adapted cycles will enable residents of all abilities including those who are disabled to get out in the fresh air, as well as keeping fit and healthy."

All bicycles including adapted cycles can be hired at any time from CycleR, at High Green, Cannock, which will become an accredited Wheels for All centre.

Training is available for anyone who would like to be a cycle leader.

For details call 01543 501520 or email deborah.pearce@wlct.org

An 'amazing afternoon' lined up for the Wakes

ORGANISERS of the Burntwood Wakes Festival on Saturday are promising an 'amazing afternoon of fun and entertainment'.

The family fun day is being held at Burntwood Leisure Centre from midday until 4pm. Admission is free.

Activities and attractions include a procession led by world taekwondo champion Rachel Shepherd, a scarecrow competition, music from Rugeley Brass Band, and a fancy dress competition organised by Spark Burntwood with a royal theme to celebrate the Queen's 90th birthday.

There will also be Woodland Beasties, Punch & Judy, funfair rides for under-10s, children's assault courses, human table football, a surf simulator, bouncy castle, rodeo bull, bungee run, a fire engine display, Zumba, a dance group, and craft, charity and public information stalls.

Organisers say there will be no public parking at the leisure centre, with the exception of blue-badge holders.

However, a shuttle bus service will run from Chase Terrace Technology College in Bridge Cross Road every 15 minutes starting at 11.45am. The fare will be a minimum donation of 50p.

In being held at the leisure centre in Chasetown High Street, the festival is seen as 'returning home' after more than a decade away. It moved to Burntwood Rugby Club in the early 2000s so it could be expanded from one day to three but its lack of parking and its 'bowl-like' site saw its popularity dwindle.

Flats planned for doctors surgery

PLANNING applications received by Lichfield District Council include:

Cannock Road Surgery, Burntwood – change of use of doctors surgery into three one-bedroom flats.

Morrisons, High Street, Chasetown – nine replacement signs.

8 Shaw Drive, Burntwood – brick-built porch, replacement canopy roof and replacement window to front elevation.

68 Rugeley Road, Burntwood – single-storey extension to rear.

35 Mease Avenue, Burntwood – first-floor extension to side to form bedroom.

4 Earl Drive, Burntwood – two-storey extension to side.

68 Highfields Road, Chasetown – proposed rendering of front of the dwelling.

Comments about any of the applications must be received by August 1.

Christian centre's coffee fundraiser

A FUNDRAISING all-day coffee morning takes place today (Thursday). The Victory Christian Drop-in Centre, in Anson Street, Rugeley, is raising money for ShelterBox, which provides emergency shelter in disaster hit areas. The event takes place from 9-30am to 4-30pm.

County in trial of free 30-hour childcare

STAFFORDSHIRE is one of eight places to introduce 30 hours of free childcare for some families a year earlier than the rest of the country.

The award of the trial scheme involving 415 places follows the county council's successful bid to the Department for Education.

Key to the bid's success was the council's approach to working with employers, which the Government wants to learn from before the 30-hours childcare offer is made available nationally in September 2017.

The county council approached 25 of the largest employers in Staffordshire with a view to collaborating on the project. Now, eight employers have signed up to the scheme and their eligible employees are currently applying to take up the funding, which becomes available in September.

Employers participating in the trial so far are Tesco's Fradley Distribution Centre; Briggs Equipment, Cannock; SAI Automotive/Faurecia, Fradley; Molson Coors, Burton; the Argos distribution centres at Barton-under-Needwood and Acton Gate, near Stafford; the Asda store at Tamworth; and Ornua Foods, Leek.

Councillor Ben Adams, cabinet member for learning and skills, said: "Staffordshire already has one of the highest take-up rates in the country for parents claiming the free 15 hours' nursery care for three and four-year-olds. Now the Government has chosen our bid because we targeted helping parents in work, or those wanting to go back to work, with this scheme."

3,600 in protest over chicken farm

MORE than 3,600 people have signed a petition against a new chicken farm in Penkridge.

The petition has been set up by animal rights group PETA.

Mimi Bekhechi, a director at the PETA Foundation, said the organisation was 'urging local people and other concerned members of the public to reject the application' because of animal welfare concerns, as well as concerns over the added noise and smell for local residents.

Ian Pick, the planning agent acting on behalf of the applicant, said the cages would have to conform to UK welfare standards, and the farm would not be allowed to create noise and odour problems. The plan has gone to South Staffordshire Council.

Country fair set to attract thousands

THOUSANDS of people are set to flock to Shugborough Hall for the annual Country Fair show this weekend.

Organisers say the show, being held on Saturday and Sunday, offers more entertainment than ever.

Alicia lands Young Musician of Year title

Alicia Hillman with her trophy

A CANNOCK saxophonist was crowned Staffordshire Young Musician of the Year at the competition's final.

Alicia Hillman, who is 18 and has just completed her A-levels at Walton High School in Stafford, will attend the Birmingham Conservatoire to study performance from September.

She hopes to become a classical saxophonist or help others through music therapy.

To win the prize, Alicia played a tango piece by Astor Piazzolla and a Romance by Binge for alto saxophone at the Riverway Centre in Stafford. She said: "I'm very honoured to win as everyone here has put so much work in to their performances.

"But I wouldn't have been able to do it without my dad, who is also my teacher."

She comes from a musical family. Her father plays flute and tenor saxophone, her mother plays the flute, and her two sisters play trumpet, trombone and clarinet between them.

Alicia was awarded £200 spending money and a trophy. The runner-up, 13-year-old violinist Olivia Howdle, won £100. She attends Stafford Grammar School.

The competition is organised annually by Entrust Music and Performing Arts Services supported by The Friends of Staffordshire Young Musicians.

The adjudicators were John Callister, head of Entrust Music and Performing Arts Services, and Malcolm Goldring, who has conducted a wide range of choirs and most of the British orchestras, including the BBC Philharmonic and the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra.

Forest concert bosses set stage for new deal

THE organisers of Cannock Chase musical festival Forest Live have agreed a new contract with staging suppliers.

The Forest Live shows, which take place at Cannock Chase Forest and six other nationwide forest locations, are run by the Forestry Commission.

For the latest shows, Serious Stages supplied two 16m Supernovas to accommodate simultaneous performances at different locations throughout the summer.

The firm also installed steps, access ramps, handrails and two flanking single PA masts, as well as a double decker front-of-house tower to accommodate the sound and lighting engineers and follow spots. They have now signed a three year contract with Forest Live to continue the supply line.

David Barrow, managing director of DB Event Services, which produces shows for the Forestry Commission, said: "I have worked with Serious Stages since 1998 and I am delighted they have once again won the staging tender for Forest Live.

"They have now worked on the Forest Live shows alongside my team since 2000, and are a big part of our forest family.

Deadlines

"The Forest Live series started out with just four sites and a 40,000 sales capacity across eight shows, and has now grown to seven sites and a 126,000 capacity, achieving over 93 per cent sales this year with the proceeds being re-invested into the forests.

"Our deadlines are incredibly tight and, seeing as the first thing we need is the stage, I am extremely grateful that Serious understand our needs. They have been great moving forwards with us, from being pro-active on the introduction of CDM regulations to their team always being helpful and thorough.

"I would find our series strange without Serious Stages, so long may our relationship continue."

Concerts in Cannock Chase began in 2006. Some 15,000 musics fans saw concerts over three days earlier this month with sell-out shows by Brit award-winning artist James Bay, Paul Heaton and Jacqui Abbott and Ricky Wilson's Leeds-based band Kaiser Chiefs.

Previous acts have included UB40, Status Quo, Paloma Faith, Robert Plant , Jools Holland and Sugababes.

Teaching assistant Carley Dawson saved her 17-month-old daughter Charlotte from choking on a sausage thanks to a first aid session

It's an honour to be a finalist

A RUGELEY woman says she feels 'honoured and humbled' to be selected as an Everyday Heroes finalist.

Three life-savers and first aid champions from Staffordshire are shortlisted for St John Ambulance's annual awards.

Mother-of-one Carley Dawson has been shortlisted in the Hero Parent of the Year Award, which recognises parents, carers or guardians who have used first aid on their own child. The 33-year-old teaching assistant saved her 17-month-old daughter Charlotte from choking on a sausage after attending a free first aid session the day before.

Carley said: "I feel honoured and humbled to be shortlisted for the award.

"I want to be able to tell my story to others in the hope that it may save someone else's life.'

Other finalists from Staffordshire include Matthew Tranter, who helped a baby who had a seizure in the Boots store where he worked, and Clare Nelson, a childminder from Tamworth who has been nominated for her work championing first aid in her local community.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Cash stolen in house burglary

CASH was stolen from a house in Hednesford after thieves removed glass from a window to break into the property.

The home in Sussex Drive was targeted between 9pm and 11pm on Tuesday last week.

The culprits removed beading from the window before taking out the pane itself.

Staffordshire Police has not disclosed how much was taken but the force has issued an appeal for witnesses or anyone with information to come forward.

Vans stolen from industrial unit

THREE vans have been stolen from a business unit in Norton Canes.

Offenders broke into the unit in Conduit Road on Monday last week at around 11pm. They used bolt croppers on the front gates before taking a white Iveco box van, a white Mercedes Sprinter van and a white Mercedes curtain-sided van.

Anyone with any information is asked to contact Staffordshire Police on 101, quoting incident number 201 of July 12.

Alternatively, call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

'Tell your doctor' plea on hearing

ACTION on Hearing Loss is urging the 163,500 residents in Staffordshire who are deaf or have hearing loss to tell their GP what support they need to help them communicate.

The charity's call comes as it launches its On the Record campaign, before NHS England's mandatory Accessible Information Standard comes into force. For details go to www.actiononhearingloss.org.uk/get-involved/campaign/access-to-healthcare/on-the-record.aspx

Energy firm's staff help build towpath

A 40-STRONG team of volunteers took a day out of the office to offer their services to the Lichfield and Hatherton Canals Restoration Trust.

The team from E.ON spent between them more than 320 hours helping to build almost 200 metres of the canal trust's planned 1km heritage towpath.

E.ON's head of assets, Mary Jackson, said: "This is a very worthwhile project. It's something we hope people living locally will enjoy using for years to come."

Parks play programme

FREE fun events have been lined up for Burntwood parks. The Play in the Parks programme runs throughout August from 11am to 3pm: Elder Lane Park (1st and 23rd); Redwood Park (3rd, 17th); Cherry Close (9th); St Matthews cricket ground (11th); Chase Terrace Park (15th and 25th).

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THE BEST OF PETER RHODES

BORIS is Foreign Secretary. Cripes.

SO farewell, David Cameron. I never expected to write that quite so soon. I met him on only a few occasions, all before the 2010 General Election. In his early months he was wary, suspicious and unsure of himself, like the young Tony Blair. But he gradually relaxed and grew into the job. Above all, he tended to get on with ordinary people, even when they disagreed with his politics. I cannot recall him ever looking bored or irritated. I liked him. And when Radio 4 announced yesterday that Cameron had left the government front bench "for the last time," I wondered how, after the chaos and upheaval of the past three weeks, anyone could be certain of that. Or of anything.

WE'VE had a letter from E.ON explaining that the adapter on the Chateau Rhodes smart meter is potentially dangerous and should be disconnected without delay. A replacement gizmo will be sent in September. So between now and then we will have no little blue light on the sideboard in the dining room. I do not know how we will cope. To be honest, I've never really understood the purpose of a smart meter from the consumer's point of view. If you wish to be constantly nagged about the need for economy, you could always marry a Yorkshireman. I subscribe to the conspiracy-theory view that, when the wind turbines fail and the electricity runs out, smart meters will inform the power companies which consumers to cut off first. That Rhodes bloke, he's not using much.

ANYONE else notice the resemblance between Mrs May's husband Philip and Calvin's dad in the cartoon strip Calvin & Hobbes?

NEWS reaches me of a much-valued teacher who, on changing jobs, was asked how she would like her presentation silver mug to be inscribed. "Don't forget my name is Rodgers, with a D," she stressed. Sure enough, the mug arrived, beautifully engraved to "Mrs Rodgers-Withadee."

MEANWHILE, a 68-year-old reader tells me he's fed up with the "lies, xenophobia and low-level racism" that conned the English into voting for Brexit. He declares: "If I was younger I would move to Scotland." And in Scotland, of course, you never get a word of bigotry or a whiff of sectarianism. Except on match days.

I STOPPED buying contact lenses from an online company some years ago but they don't give up. Their latest email sales pitch is headlined: "We can send your lenses across Europe." Sounds like a threat from the Mafia, doesn't it?

Don't miss Peter Rhodes every Monday to Friday in your Express & Star

Carer jailed for neglect of patients

A CARER who sprayed water into an 81-year-old woman's face so she would move as he showered her has been jailed.

Gary Walker also threw a wet flannel into an 82-year-old man's face and made him 'writhe' as he pressed it against him, a court was told.

Asked why he had acted in such a way to that victim while working at the Horse Fair Care Home in Rugeley, he told a colleague: "He doesn't like me, I don't like him."

Walker, 31, had also admitted turning off a pressure mat in an 88-year-old man's room three times.

The mat was there to alert staff if the resident got out of bed because he was at high risk of falling, Cannock Magistrates' Court heard.

At least two of the victims were felt unable to make a statement against Walker, of Shaftesbury Road, Rugeley. Friends and relatives sobbed in the public gallery as Walker was led away to start a 16-week jail term.

He admitted one count of wilfully neglecting a person without capacity and two additional counts of wilfully neglecting an individual at a hearing last month. Walker had earlier been dismissed by the home's owners, the Avery Healthcare Group. He must also pay an £80 victim surcharge and has been banned from ever caring for vulnerable people again.

Mr Zafar Rashid, defending, said earlier: "He is a caring individual. These offences have been somewhat out of character."

Avery Healthcare spokesman Mark Avery said: "Resident welfare is out utmost priority, and we vehemently oppose such poor practice."

Rail hub bosses to ban lorries from villages

By Rob Golledge

LORRIES delivering and collecting goods from a proposed rail hub in Staffordshire would be banned from going through Penkridge and nearby villages, the scheme's boss says.

Peter Frost, managing director of Four Ashes Ltd, said traffic from the West Midlands Interchange would not use the Gailey roundabout on the A449 and instead would be directed to use the M6 or M54.

Plans for the 600-acre rail freight terminal at Four Ashes between Cannock and Wolverhampton have been opposed by residents and MPs Gavin Williamson and Jeremy Lefroy. An increase in lorries on roads near the site as well as potential noise and incursion on the green belt have been cited as concerns.

Mr Frost said trucks visiting the site would be effectively banned from travelling through villages and hamlets such as Coven, Calf Heath, and Penkridge.

Sensitive

He added that the firm was in talks with Jaguar Land Rover and other major firms about using the site, and bosses are hoping to link up with the University of Wolverhampton to boost training and employment opportunities with up to 8,500 jobs being created.

He said: "Traffic is one of the most sensitive parts of the project. There is no reason I can see why HGVs should go through Coven, Calf Heath or Penkridge.

"Penkridge in particular has a problem when the M6 is closed that a lot of traffic diverts through it.

"We cannot control that but what we can do is make sure that all the traffic from our site will not being going through Penkridge.

"We can do that with enforcement by our site managers who will tell drivers to go north via the M6 or south to join the M54."

There are currently two initial designs being consulted on – one with a rail link to the east of the site at Four Ashes and one to the west.

Rhea is hoping to fashion a win

Rhea Khamba prepares to compete in the final of the prestigious Little Miss Teen Great Britain competition

A SPORTY youngster is hoping to bring home the gold after making the final of Little Miss Teen Great Britain.

Rhea Khamba, 11, has netted a spot in the final in Blackpool, on October 23, and the talented gymnast and footballer is looking forward to her moment in the spotlight. The Cannock youngster, who goes to Five Ways Primary School, has dabbled in modelling, and her mother Nedlam Khamba saw the competition as a good opportunity to help boost her profile.

She said: "She got selected by a modelling agency and we saw this competition and thought we should enter Rhea, maybe she could do well. We emailed over some shots of her and a bit about her and sent it off, not really expecting to hear anything back. She is absolutely chuffed to bits and really excited about the final." Organisers haven't revealed what will be required of Rhea and the other competitors at the glitzy grand final, but Mrs Khamba knows that she'll do her best to be prepared for victory.

She added: "It will probably be the traditional pageant sort of things. We'll know more, closer to the date, but in the meantime Rhea will look forward to getting ready for it." Her family hope success on the pageant scene could lead to more modelling work.

Mrs Khamba said: "She's quite an academic girl, she's in a lot of the top classes at school. She does particularly well at her sport.

"She's had a break but she'll be going back to that."

Chiefs in new plea over A&E 'gridlock'

A&E departments at County Hospital and Royal Stoke have become 'gridlocked' due to dozens of unnecessary attendances – while the number of patients fit enough to be discharged is at 'crisis' level, health chiefs say.

The NHS trust which runs the two sites has issued a desperate plea for people not to attend A&E unless they need to, while staff have raised safety concerns about patients who are well enough to go home but remain stuck in the hospital.

This summer, 180 out of 600 people attending the emergency departments needed to be there, bosses at University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust have said.

The hospitals can account for 70 patients at one time who are 'medically fit for discharge' and are waiting to return home.

But in recent months, bosses say the trust has been dealing with almost triple this number because relatives are reluctant to take them elsewhere.

As an emergency measure, the trust has paid for extra 'out-of-hospital beds' to cope with demand.

Robert Courteney-Harris, chief executive, said: "The number of people who are ready to go home but are stuck in a hospital bed has reached crisis levels.

"Our staff are concerned for both the safety and experience of our patients, which is why I have agreed to pay for additional out-of-hospital beds as an emergency measure, even though this is not something the trust is funded to do."

Lorry tips over at busy island

A LORRY driver escaped serious injury after his HGV tipped over at a busy roundabout in Cannock.

The incident happened around 6.29pm last Friday at the Orbital Retail Park island.

Around 40 sq m of hydraulic oil spilled on to the surrounding roads and required highways chiefs to clean up.

The toppled HGV completely blocked the Voyager Drive exit at the roundabout sparking heavy traffic in the area. It was removed shortly before 11pm that night.

Fire crews from Cannock Station attended but the male driver of the vehicle did not need to be extricated. Paramedics treated him and took him to hospital but police confirmed his injuries were not serious.

Award presentation is a first for school

A PUPIL at Wolgarston High School, Penkridge, became its first to receive a gold Duke of Edinburgh's award at Holyrood House in Edinburgh.

Ben Hopkins was unable to attend the awards at St James Palace due to studying in America on a scholarship.

Referendum result 'will not affect' HS2 project

BRITAIN leaving the EU will not result in HS2 being delayed or costing more, it has been promised.

Patrick McLoughlin told a conference in Birmingham in the wake of the referendum: "We are now even more dependent on the jobs, capacity and opportunities HS2 will provide."

The £55.7 billion project would be 'on time' and 'on budget', the then Transport Secretary added.

"Not going ahead with it would not only consign rail passengers to increases in overcrowding but show the kind of short-termism that has plagued infrastructure planning for decades," Mr McLoughlin added.

"The construction of the first phase will begin on schedule next year. The full network will be completed on time and on budget.

"With strong leadership, HS2 will help Britain outside the EU in rebalancing the economy, growing employment for thousands.

"It will mean more trains, more seats and more freights. Next year, as we move from debate to delivery, leadership will be critical politically as well as business leadership, so the voice of the private sector can be heard loud and clear from our new position outside of the EU."

He referred to the Government's commitment to deliver Crossrail – the high-frequency railway for London and the South East – several times during his 20-minute address, using it as an example of why Whitehall will not abandon the project despite a changing political landscape.

Launch of home and garden fair

A NEW home and garden fair is set to launch in Cannock tomorrow (Friday).

Taking place from 9am to 5pm in Market Hall Street and Littleton Square, it follows the re-launch of the town's Friday street market.

It will see attractively dressed stalls and pop-ups, including organic meat, garden furniture, pancakes, bird boxes, bird tables, homemade pizza, home fragrances, candles and freshly picked strawberries.

Cannock Chase Councillor Diane Todd, portfolio leader for town centre regeneration, said: "The home and garden fair will be a great addition to our regular Friday street market and will provide even more variety for the public to enjoy."

Scarecrow festival preparations start

PREPARATIONS are under way for a scarecrow and knitting festival.

Bridgtown Primary School, the Bethel Church and local businesses are organising the event, which is taking place from October 10 to 13.

Florence hops into the internet limelight

Making an appearance on the box . . .

MEET Florence, the Burntwood bunny taking the internet by storm.

The two-year-old mini-lop has her own Instagram account which has amassed nearly 9,000 followers.

She reached internet fame earlier this month when a video of her eating a particularly red and ripe strawberry went viral, attracting more than 30,000 likes.

Her owner, 28-year-old Carla Murdoch, originally from Sheffield but now living in Burntwood, said: "I started taking photos of her and putting it on my Instagram. But people started getting a bit annoyed with just pictures of her over and over again, so I created a new account, and it went from there.

"I followed other rabbits, they followed us back and did shout-outs, and we grew in followers from there.

"She is totally unaware of her fame but she knows what's going on, she can be a bit of a diva.

"Some days she sees me going to take a picture and she'll turn away and refuse to have her photo taken."

Originally, Ms Murdoch and her partner Pete had two ducks, but she said: "They do not do what I want a pet to do. You cannot pet them, you cannot train them.

"I wanted a dog but, because we both work, we decided it was not fair, but bunnies are a lot more work-friendly. She just sleeps through the day."

It took Ms Murdoch four months to find the right rabbit but she fell in love with Florence when she met her.

All of Florence's pictures and videos can be viewed on her Instagram page.

Log on to www.instagram.com/florencethefloozie/

Pothole-ridden roads labelled a deathtrap

CANNOCK Chase Council's deputy leader has warned that someone is going to lose their life on the district's roads due to the ongoing pothole problem.

Councillor Gordon Alcott, who has previously quipped that Cannock would become one big pothole in 10 years, has hit out after saying that the problem had once again worsened.

He criticised what he perceived as a 'temporary' repair of potholes which are opened up again in no time at all, leaving the roads 'back at square one'.

But Staffordshire County Council has insisted that maintaining roads is a 'key priority' and that the condition of the roads has improved in recent years.

Councillor Alcott said: "The council say they fill in these potholes but they have not been proper repairs and as soon as an HGV drives over them they pop out and it is back to square one very quickly.

"The position is that instead of getting better they are getting worse. That one by the ring road by the Job Centre Plus was filled in but within days it was out again.

Cost

"Amey are the contractors and the county council say it will cost them a small fortune to get traffic lights in to divert the traffic while the work is carried out."

However, the county council has refuted this claim, with a spokesman insisting that cost would not be an issue and that traffic management is always a consideration.

Councillor Alcott added: "Unfortunately we are heading towards a situation where soon enough someone is going to be seriously injured or ends up losing their life."

In response Mark Deaville, Staffordshire County Council's highways and transport boss, said: "Maintaining our roads is a key priority for the county council and the overall condition of our main roads actually improved following a £50m investment in our highways between 2009 and 2014.

"As well as currently repairing around 350 potholes every week we are also looking at improving the resilience of our roads with a programme of surface dressing.

"Where potholes do occur on weakened roads we always prioritise those which pose the biggest risk to motorists."

Shiver me timbers, ship mates

Teacher Jo Grimshaw with the youngsters, enjoying being pirates for the day at St Peter's Primary

NURSERY children at a Hednesford school got a taste of the high seas as they celebrated Pirate Day.

The special activity day at St Peter's Primary was organised as part of the nursery teaching topics The Seaside and Travel.

It gave the pupils the chance to be blaggards for a day and learn all about what life could be like as a 'professional' pirate.

As well as dressing up like famous characters such as Blue Beard and Jack Sparrow the children also enjoyed lots of pirate-themed activities.

These included making pirate ships and testing whether they could float, drawing their own treasure maps and following directions to find the loot, and writing messages in a bottle.

Miss Samantha Price, headteacher of St Peter's, said: "Themed fun days like this are an extremely important supplement to the day-to-day learning activities in the classroom.

"They also give the children a chance to dress up and role-play which is proven to help deepen understanding and stimulate their learning further."

From September, St Peter's will be offering wraparound care for nursery children in addition to the 15 hours funded by the local authority. It offers a lunch club and afternoon session.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Familes urged to join charity walk

FAMILIES are being asked to join the Cannock Chase Memory Walk to raise money to combat dementia.

The Alzheimer's Society is appealing for people of all ages to take part in the September charity walk and raise money for its work.

Sharon Wright, services manager for the Alzheimer's Society in Staffordshire, said: "Around 11,000 people in Staffordshire have dementia, and almost all of us know someone affected by the condition." Find out more at www.memorywalk.org.uk/find-a-walk/cannock-chase/

Cabling stolen from driveway

ELECTRIC cabling was stolen from a driveway in Wedges Mills.

The cabling was targeted at a private property in Wood Lane at 5.45am on Monday last week when thieves bundled it into the back of a white Transit van which police said may be linked to other reported incidents.

A Staffordshire Police spokesman said: "The offenders are described as male and of eastern European appearance.

"Anyone who has any information or can assist police with their inquiries are urged to contact us."

Leisure centre to host activity camp

PARENTS are being invited to enrol their children for a half-day activity camp during the summer holidays.

The cost is £2 per half-day, and the activities, at Penkridge Leisure Centre, Cannock Road, have been subsidised by the parish council.

Children can attend the sessions on Tuesdays to Thursdays.

SUSSED activities can also be booked direct with Penkridge Leisure Centre on 01785 714152. Visit www.sstaffs.gov.uk/leisure for details.

Mini-market and art exhibition at church

AN art exhibition and mini market takes place in Great Wyrley this weekend. Wesley Methodist Church, Walsall Road, is the venue for Saturday's event, from 10.30am to 1.30pm.

The art group meets at Wesley every Tuesday morning from 10 until noon and will be displaying some of their work.

The mini-market takes place in the church hall and will feature a tombola, raffle, crafts, homemade cakes and cards and bacon sandwiches.

Outing to The Roaches

CHASE Ramblers' outing this Sunday is a nine-mile moderate/strenuous walk Round The Roaches, near Leek. Walkers should meet as usual at Hednesford railway station car park, in Anglesey Street, for a 9am prompt departure. For details call Barry on 01543 684254. New walkers welcome.

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IN MY VIEW
with Mark Andrews

Home bit dowdy? Call in the bulldozers

SO from now on, Prime Minister's Questions will be dominated by squabbles between Jeremy and May, with Hammond sitting in the shadows.

With such a Top Gear bench, as somebody once said, what could possibly go wrong?

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SUPPOSE your house looked a bit the worse for the passage of time. I know that is unlikely, because you maintain your property diligently, keep the garden immaculate, and scrub your doorstep spotless every morning. But just play with me for a while on this one.

Say your property had been allowed to decay for a good few years, and needed quite a bit of modernisation. Nothing serious, it's still habitable, but now it's 50, maybe 60 years old, there are a fair few jobs that need doing; a new heating system here, a bit of rewiring there, the odd plumbing and damp-proofing job.

Anyway, an expert says you probably need to spend £30,000 on it. Or if you ask nicely, his mate Des, who works in the demolition trade, will knock the house down for a third of that.

Now how many of you would say "That's a good idea, it will save us 20 grand on repairs"? Not many I suspect, because then there would be the small matter of you not having a house at all.

Yet this is basically what Dudley Council is doing, after announcing plans to demolish four tower blocks in the Netherton.

The council says urgent maintenance work will cost £9 million, whereas it would cost just £3 million to flatten them and pay off the people who live in them.

People like 90-year-old Lilly Gough, who has lived in her flat for half a century, and is heartbroken at the prospect of leaving.

Of course, it is hardly the only local authority to adopt this policy. Over the past 20 years, tower-block flattening seems to have become something of a municipal sport. People even hold street parties to get into the mood.

A few years ago Wolverhampton Council pulled down the flats at Graiseley, and later complained of a shortage of one and two bedroom properties in the city.

But back to Netherton, where the council will save £6 million but lose 301 flats. That works out at £19,993 a property. I realise the council is strapped for cash, but it's a safe bet it will cost a lot more to build 200 new homes.

We are supposed to be living through a housing crisis. We're told we need to build 240,000 new homes a year just to stand still.

Which makes knocking down hundreds of homes because they need updating – and I suspect partly because they are unfashionable – seem very short-sighted indeed.

Schoolchildren take part in the steel band in the Forum

Singer Mia Benton performs for the crowd

The steel band is directed through their routine

Hundreds turn out for carnival capers

Cannock Lions club member Pam Gabbitas drums up support for the group

Butterfly Shirley Gosling meets Charley-Mae Corbett, aged three

IT was carnival time in Cannock over the weekend – bringing the town to life through music, fun and floats.

The annual event, now in its sixth year after being relaunched by the Cannock Traders Association, saw hundreds line the streets around Cannock Shopping Centre to take part in the celebrations.

There were clowns and stilt-walkers to entertain the hordes of people watching while youngsters also had the chance to have pony rides or have a lick of paint applied to their face.

Carnival goers also enjoyed great food and

Music, parades and decent weather made last weekend's Cannock Carnival a success, as **JORDAN HARRIS** reports

had the chance to pick items up at bric-a-brac stalls.

Sheila Dunning, events manager with the Cannock Traders Association, said: "We had a great time, the weather was fine and a lot of people turned up.

"There were quite a few events going on across the region over the weekend so we did well to stay competitive.

"We are trying to grow the event year on year after reviving it and this was another step forward."

The carnival saw musical performances from Cannock singer Mia Benton, as well as a steel band consisting of local school pupils.

Perform

Dance company 2Step Dance Academy also got the chance to strut their stuff as visitors took in the sights and sounds of the carnival.

Mrs Dunning said: "When we decided to get the carnival going again, we thought it needed to be at the shopping centre, because that way we can really keep people in the town.

"We want them to see what Cannock can offer when we all come together.

"It also gives our young local performers a chance to perform in front of more people, which is always good for them.

"It takes a lot of hard work across a whole year to organise the carnival but come carnival day it is always worth it.

"Just seeing the look on the children's faces as they take in the sights makes it worth all of the planning and preparation."

The carnival took place from 10am to 6pm, with other attractions including fair ground rides and market stalls.

A treasure hunt was organised, with children being set free to hunt down prizes located around the shopping centre. The usual float competitions and crowning of the Carnival Queen Lucy Benton ensured tradition was kept to.

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Political pair all smiles at being handed new roles in shake-up

Gavin Wiliamson has been appointed Chief Whip

Former miner Patrick McLoughlin is Tory party chairman

GAVIN Williamson was all smiles as he left Downing Street having being appointed Government Chief Whip.

The South Staffordshire MP said he was 'very privileged' and very surprised' at being handed the role, which will see him take charge of party discipline.

He was given the post by Theresa May as she set about appointing key positions in Whitehall. Meanwhile, Transport Secretary Patrick McLoughlin, a former Cannock miner, moved post to become Tory party chairman.

Mr Williamson has been MP since 2010 and was previously David Cameron's parliamentary private secretary.

The 40-year-old played a key role in Mrs May's ascension to power as her parliamentary campaign manager, garnering the support of MPs in a leadership race that was over almost before it had started.

He was one of a raft of appointments on the first full day of Theresa May's term as Prime Minister, which included Elizabeth Truss as Justice Secretary and Justine Greening as Education Secretary.

Important

Mr McLoughlin, who was born in Stafford into a family of coal miners, said he was 'delighted' to accept his new role as Conservative chairman and Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster. He described the post as 'an incredibly important job'.

When asked if his background as a miner would influence how he approached the task ahead, he said: "I want to see us [the Conservative party] reach out to as many people as possible.

"I want us to encourage more people to join the party."

Mr McLoughlin worked at the Littleton Colliery in Cannock in the 1980s and was a member of the National Union of Mineworkers.

He was also an industrial representative for the National Coal Board's Western Area Marketing Department.

Mrs May's Cabinet shake-up has seen George Osborne and Michael Gove sacked and dispatched to the backbenches, with Boris Johnson as Foreign Secretary among the key appointments.

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Why not start all over again?

HOW can the result of the EU membership referendum be considered in any sense a sufficiently reliable demonstration of the people's will to justify leaving the EU?

It started as a cowardly and politically unprincipled attempt to appease bigots, and resulted in a majority so slender as to be utterly unconvincing, not least because several million voters – far more than the Leave majority over Remain – have petitioned for a re-vote, and Leave voters have made desperate pleas to the Electoral College to change their votes to Remain.

It would be a travesty to let what in reality was no more than a dodgily managed opinion poll jeopardise the social and economic wellbeing of the UK.

Why not just forget this crass episode and start again . . . once the political parties have regained some kind of grip on principle.

G HAMBROOK
Lichfield

Freedoms from centuries ago are vanishing

I HAVE lost count of the times I've heard a young person complain that 'you've stolen my future' by voting to leave the EU.

It might surprise them to hear that I, a man of 62, understand their point but I do.

They need only to look at Greece, Italy, Spain and many other areas of the EU to see unemployment at rates of around 40 to 50 per cent amongst the young.

Some might argue that this is due to the failed euro currency, but if we'd voted Remain we would also have had to take it in the not too distant future.

Even in countries nearer to ours in matters of economy and facilities, such as France or Germany, it is nearly one in four unable to find work and, by extension, 'a future'.

Record levels of immigration mean getting a job, home, children into school, a health appointment, just moving around and so on are much more difficult, laws and freedoms dating back centuries, and once taken for granted by every freeborn British person, are vanishing to be replaced by 'diktats' and EU regulations.

And so the question is 'what future had we stayed in the EU?'

They may not thank us just yet for saving them from all this.

But they will in time, especially when the EU disintegrates in another two or three years.

JOHN BERNARD
UKIP Cannock Chase branch

Party members are denied over leader

THE witchhunt against Jeremy Corbyn is undemocratic and false. He was elected by a huge majority less than a year ago, gaining more votes than the other three candidates put together.

Labour conservatives boasted they would get rid of him in months, defying the will of party members to chose their own leader for the first ever time.

They have tried to undermine him at every turn seeking to belittle his authority. The plotters are using the Remain defeat as the excuse to overthrow him. Yet most of them were also just as guilty for not listening to what the people wanted.

The conspirators hate his popularity wherever he goes and he is responsible for the largest growth in party membership in history. He cares passionately against social injustice and its causes.

P BRYANT
Burntwood

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Treat horses properly

SOME people think there should be a law on how horses are treated; they are just left in a field or on a grass verge. It is a shame for the poor horses, in the bad weather they have no shelter. In Great Wyrley, Landywood Lane, there are four horses, and one male and three foals and another one pregnant again. Why do they need all these horses if they can't look after them properly?

MRS HYDE
Great Wyrley

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K OWEN-HAYWARD
Meningitis Now

Problem with right is lack of a social base

THERE have been open calls by several Blairites to join Labour to topple Jeremy Corbyn. But despite their efforts, the majority of the 60,000 who joined Labour in just one week have done so to stop the coup!

The problem with the Labour right is their lack of social base – what's their rallying cry? 'Say no to free education, don't build council homes, bomb more countries'?

However, they are claiming, with no real evidence, that a more right-wing leader would be more likely to win a general election. In reality it is not because Corbyn is unelectable. It is because they fear he could win a general election.

Blair himself said that Jeremy Corbyn as prime minister would 'be a very dangerous experiment', an experiment his acolytes are determined to prevent.

COUNCILLOR PAUL WITTON
Cannock South

Referendum result used as a convenient excuse

I WOULD never dismiss Jeremy Corbyn's often eloquent expressions of socialist philosophy and powerfully argued objections to constant military interventions as 'meaningless waffle' ("Fallout is challenge fore leaders", July 7).

Jeremy Corbyn has a mighty, yet polite socialist voice – he is no 'spin doctor'. Ten months ago he won the leadership of the Labour Party with a massive 60 per cent of the votes of grassroots members – one quarter million as opposed to 170 Parliamentary MPs. These parliamentary MPs have used the referendum result as a convenient excuse to try to demote their democratically elected leader.

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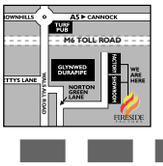

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On the 100th anniversary of the bloodiest day in UK military history, Jason Rollins, Regimental Sergeant Major of the 2nd Battalion The Mercian Regiment, was reminded of the significance of the bible he has in his care. It belonged to Private Arnold Bishop and was carried in his pocket when he fought in the battle.

He had signed up for active service from his home in Hednesford.

Private Bishop was a member of the 1st Battalion, South Staffordshire Regiment. He was 21 when he was killed on that fateful day – July 1, 1916 – in the bloodbath in a French field.

After his death, the bible was returned to Arnold's wife Nat by a friend who had survived the war. She then gave the bible to their daughter Dollie, when her own husband went to fight in the Second World War.

Sadly, Dollie's husband never returned from the global conflict.

With no children, Dollie eventually handed the bible to Jason's grandmother Gladys Ford, a second cousin.

On learning that Jason was to be deployed as part of Operation Herrick, in Afghanistan, in 2011, Gladys told him about the bible's past owners, before passing it on to Jason.

He said: "I am deeply honoured to be the keeper of the bible."

Jason's grandmother died aged 80 at her home in Rugeley, days after he recovered the bible from the attic. However, he took the heirloom with him during tours in 2011 and 2013.

Regimental Sergeant Major Jason Rollins with the historic family heirloom

Arboretum in tribute plea

A UNIQUE tribute to the thousands of British soldiers who lost their lives on the first day of the Battle of the Somme is to be installed in Staffordshire.

The National Memorial Arboretum has created 19,240 wooden soldiers – the number killed that day – which will be part of a giant art installation called Somme 100 En Masse.

Now help is being sought in personalising each one with images, messages, poetry and paint. Around 750 soldiers have been completed so far.

Arboretum artists in residence Julie Edwards and Ron Thompson, of Midlands-based Planet Art, are appealing for schools, families and individuals across the UK and France to help.

Members of the Royal Warwickshire Regiment have taken some of the wooden soldiers with them to the Somme and will paint them during a commemorative event.

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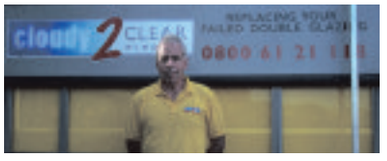

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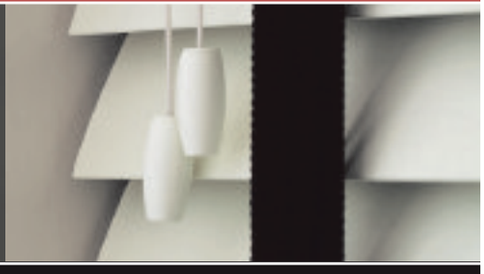

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Gridlock as overturned lorry spills diesel on M6

A LORRY which overturned and spilled diesel on the M6 caused major delays for drivers as Highways England closed three lanes to carry out emergency repairs.

Drivers faced 'severe' delays on a 13-mile northbound stretch between junctions 10 at Walsall, and 13 for Stafford.

Three lanes were closed on Monday following the diesel spillage, which was caused after the lorry overturned and shed its load of metal at around 7.30am.

Four cars were damaged, but no one was hurt.

It took hours to clean up and led to gridlock on other major routes.

The Central Motorway Police Group, which covers both West Midlands and Staffordshire Police force areas said the driver of the overturned HGV had been reported for driving a vehicle in a dangerous condition.

Severe

Highways England had to close three lanes between junctions 12 at Gailey, and 13. But the delays were so severe they stretched back to junction 10.

More than 100 litres of diesel was spilt across 200 metres of carriageway, making it 'unsafe for road users', according to Highways England bosses. The three lanes between junctions 12 and 13 were still closed at 5pm, as Highways England had to carry out work to clean it up.

Bosses said they would reopen the carriageway as soon it was 'safe to do so'.

But the M6 lane closures had a knock-on effect elsewhere as roads through Cannock and Penkridge became gridlocked with drivers looking for alternative routes.

The lorry which shed its metal load on the motorway

Firm fined over toxic smoke

A BURNTWOOD business has been ordered to pay almost £8,000 after permitting a bonfire that caused plumes of dark smoke.

Alan Wilmore (Builders) Ltd pleaded guilty to causing or permitting the emission of dark smoke as a result of burning material from the company's trade premises on Plant Lane.

The council started proceedings after visiting the site, following complaints from nearby residents about large plumes of smoke coming from the area last November. The firm was ordered to pay a fine of £6,600, court costs of £1,197 and a victim surcharge of £128 – a total of £7,925, at the hearing at Stafford Magistrates Court.

The prosecution was brought by Lichfield District Council. Councillor Colin Greatorex, for housing & health, said: "We're pleased the court found in our favour. We hope this case will act as an example to others to avoid polluting the air through the illegal burning of waste material."

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Glasses are raised to toast Queen

Hammerwich WI

THE WI marked its 96th birthday with members joining president Barbara Renshaw for a celebratory meal and an enjoyable evening at a local hotel.

June's meeting sparkled as members were decked out in tiaras with everyone was keen to wish The Queen a very happy 90th birthday.

After a rousing rendition of Jerusalem business was quickly completed and the fun part of the evening began. Members were entertained by Jane, and her friends Simon and Tom singing songs from many well known and not so well known musicals.

Refreshments were served together with a glass of wine. Glasses were raised to toast Her Majesty.

The in-house competition for the Williams Challenge Shield took place which was for a chocolate cake. This was judged by Jane and friends with Susan Heathcote the winner. The enjoyable evening concluded with a quiz and raffle.

Vital work is highlighted

Rotary Club of Lichfield

PRESIDENT David Mayes gave £500 to Medecins Sans Frontieres after Dr Elma Wong spoke about its invaluable work around the world.

During the opening session of the Korea convention, Rotary founder Paul Harris appeared as a hologram, joining RI President KR Ravindran on stage.

Brains engaged to raise Pathway funds

From left, president Carole Holdcroft, Chris Wardle and the winning team

Cannock & District Soroptimists

A QUIZ night staged in aid of Pathway raised £400 for the project that supports women victims of domestic violence.

The event, at the Barns Restaurant, follows a successful quiz held there last year and now looks likely to become an annual event.

President Carole Holdcroft chose Pathway as her charity for the year having been involved with supporting them herself for more than 20 years – the club has also supported the project for many years by providing toiletries, gifts for birthdays and Christmas and household goods for when the women are in a position to be re-housed.

The quiz, organised by Soroptimist June Bould, attracted 18 teams – from Soroptimists, Rotarians, Hednesford Lions, 41 Club, and many other friends. Chris Wardle was quiz master – and in case of dispute – his answer was final.

All of the teams did well and there was a lively and friendly atmosphere.

The winning team hailed from Lichfield – The Three Spires – and they each won a bottle of wine. Supper was served and everyone was generous with the raffle.

Inspiring floral arrangement

Norton Canes Flower Club

IN June members enjoyed a demonstration by Alison Glover which she called 'You Never Know'.

The "never know" title came from various items and events that had occurred in her life and these led to the inspiration of the arrangements. The flowers used by Alison to tell the stories were colourful and the arrangements were beautiful. It was a lovely evening enjoyed by all.

Members were looking forward to a talk and practical evening about photography in July, which hopefully will teach everyone how to improve their shots.

In August there is no meeting, but some members are going on a visit to a warehouse which supplies floral items.

The club meets at the Trinity Methodist Chapel Norton Canes on the third Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm. Visitors and new members are most welcome. Call 01543 278370.

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How the designer outlet village at Mill Green will look

Concerns on impact of £115m Mill Green

BOSSES at Cannock Shopping Centre have admitted having concerns over the forthcoming designer outlet village at Mill Green – but they say the complex is in a healthy state.

Centre manager Natal Chapman said talks were taking place to ensure the £115 million Mill Green scheme would complement the centre rather than compete with it.

She also said discussions were ongoing about securing more 'cost-effective' parking rates to entice shoppers.

Ms Chapman said big-name retailers, which have recently arrived elsewhere in the town, such as TK Maxx at Eastern Way, have not had an impact on the shopping centre – where all but four of the 38 units are occupied.

Weekly footfall at the shopping centre has also increased to about 75,000 people, following a dip caused by the loss of big names like Burton and Evans.

Ms Chapman said: "We have footfall cameras on the entrance and exit which have recorded about 75,000 people per week. It has fluctuated quite a lot since the Arcadia Group left several years ago, but it has been at the level they are now for at least 12 months.

Natal Chapman

Cannock Shopping Centre

Parking

"The retail parks, with stores like TK Maxx, haven't really hit us yet but Mill Green is obviously a concern. Initially there will of course be a novelty value with people going to Mill Green. It all depends on what stores are going to be there as to whether it will make a big difference.

"We'll be OK as long as there is no direct competition. We don't want it to take people away from the town centre."

While for now Mill Green remains on the horizon, the current and seemingly everlasting issue to be addressed is parking charges.

Developers St Modwen built the centre in the 1990s and still own the car park and set the rates, which are 60p for an hour rising to £4 for more than three hours.

Ms Chapman said: "We need more cost-effective parking. It is one of the things which is always mentioned by the traders, whether we can get free parking or whether it can be reduced on certain days to encourage people in. It is something which is being discussed."

When contacted for a comment, St Modwen were unable to provide any more details.

Ms Chapman added that centre bosses were always considering ways of enhancing the site long-term. Other complexes in the region have added facilities such as gymnasiums and high-end restaurants to their retail offer.

Ms Chapman admitted big new additions would require redevelopment of the centre but said they were being considered nevertheless.

"Mixed-use is a big thing," she said. "It is great that we have had The Station come in at the former social club.

"You look at the Guildhall in Stafford and they have added a gym, so you can add other things in which are not just retail, even things like a GP practice, something which brings people in. Of course it all depends on what space is available."

But ultimately she believes the key to keep people coming to Cannock Shopping Centre is the retailers the venue can attract and the level of service.

"It is just trying to get the right retailers in who are going to draw people back into the centre," Ms Chapman said. "Some people are worried about the impact of online shopping as well.

"But it is not always about that, sometimes you want to be able to try things, feel them and look around.

"It is about giving more of an experience."

Students gain insight into business

Students from Aston University Business School at Bidvest Foodservice in Cannock

BUSINESS students got a flavour of how a company operates when they visited a food service provider's depot in Cannock. Forty five MBA students from Aston University Business School were taken on a tour of Bidvest Foodservice at Kingswood Lakeside.

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A Q&A session was led by Julie Tidy and other senior members of the Cannock leadership team to discuss strategic issues including how Bidvest Foodservice fits into the market both locally and nationally.

Co-op in big cleam-up

EMPLOYEES with The Midcounties Co-operative have joined with residents in Cannock for a big clean-up.

The Big Co-op Clean is a national initiative to create cleaner and stronger communities.

The project has seen staff from Cannock volunteer to clean up the local area as part of Co-operative Fortnight.

Local workers rolled up their sleeves at Cannock Food Bank by volunteering to spend time in the charity's warehouse to help sort and distribute food. A UK-wide movement designed to demonstrate that working together achieves far greater things than working alone, The Big Co-op Clean includes organising litter picks, tackling fly-tipping hotspots, and restoring run-down local amenities.

The initiative comes as part of The Midcounties Co-operative's Regional Communities Strategy, which sees the society offer help to organisations through various fundraising initiatives, as well as a 'colleague volunteering programme'. Aaron Clayton, leadership team ambassador at The Midcounties Co-operative in Cannock, said: "Looking after the environment is one of the key pillars of any co-operative.

"So it's fitting that societies around the country are working together for The Big Co-op Clean.

"Our partnership with this initiative supports the work we do to make a real difference to people in Cannock through our Regional Communities Strategy, and we're committed to continuing to work with local residents and groups to make a difference."

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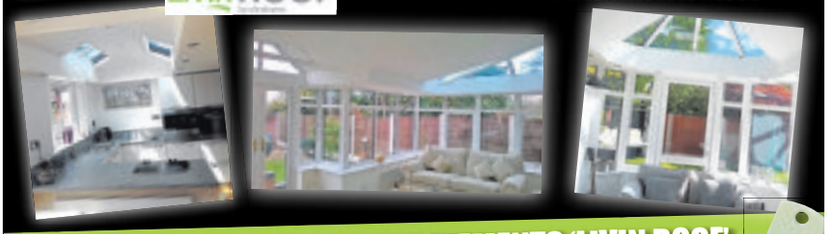

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Peace Memorial Hall,
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Bethel Methodist Church
Union Street, Bridgtown, Cannock
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Morning Groups
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Heath Hayes
5.30pm & 7.30pm
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Hednesford, Cannock
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Ring Liz: 07721 697140

Hednesford
Aquarius Ballroom
Victoria Street, Hednesford
9.30am *Morning Group*
Ring Gill: 07958 000554

SATURDAY

Burntwood
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Ironstone Road, Burntwood
8.00am & 10.00am
Morning Groups
Ring Liz: 07721 697140

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Pye Green Community Centre
Bradbury Lane, Pye Green
11.30am *Morning Group*
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Experts to raise stakes in battle on obesity

WORK to reduce the rate of childhood obesity in Staffordshire is said to be having a positive effect on children's health.

New figures show that one in 10 Staffordshire children aged four and five are obese, in line with the national average. Now, the county council wants to build on work to promote more physical activity.

It also aims to encourage healthy eating and promote a healthy weight in an effort to reduce the rate further.

Staffordshire County Council, working alongside the NHS, schools, housing associations, and voluntary organisations, commissions a range of programmes that promote a healthy weight.

These include the development of community food initiatives such as food and cooking skills courses, supporting the development of sport, PE and active recreation across the county, and helping families who need health and wellbeing support.

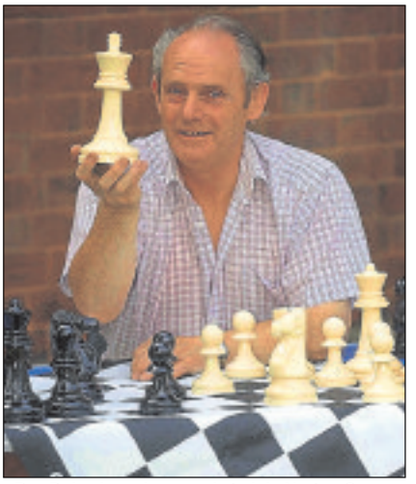
Added to this, the national Change 4 life campaign is launching the 10 Minute Shake Up encouraging families to keep moving throughout the summer months. More information can be found at www.nhs.uk/change4life.

By David Banner

County Councillor Alan White, cabinet member for health, care and wellbeing, said: "Promoting healthy eating in young children is essential for maintaining their health and wellbeing in later in life. This is why we work with a number of other organisations in the county to encourage healthy activity, eating well and living a healthier life.

"The figures show that this approach is working, but we know that more needs to be done." Visit www.staffordshirecares.info/healthy

Check out this new chess club says Ray



Ray Dolan is urging people to join Norton Canes Chess Club, which is open to all ages

PLAYERS of all ages are being invited to join the newly formed Norton Canes Chess Club. Midlands counties chess union chief executive Ray Dolan has joined up and is urging other enthusiasts to do the same.

He said: "We are urging people to come along and join the Norton Canes Chess Club. The club will meet once a week and it is open for anyone, so whether you're young or old, male or female, come along and play some chess." Sessions will be held at 58 School Road, Norton Canes, every Tuesday at 7.30pm. For more details call Mike Hoare on 01543 275714.

Ray is the founder of Bloxwich Junior Chess Club which is responsible for producing some of the finest young players in the country. Based at Ryecroft Community Hub in Coalpool, it has produced many young chess masters including 10-year-old Dominic Holmes, who is the national champion for his age group and recently was picked for England under-10s to play against Wales in Monmouth.

Ray Dolan founded the club with his wife Eunice more than five years ago.

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Patients urged to think twice about antibiotics

Tall grass 'danger' fear

Sylvia Jackson says the high grass on the central reservation of the A5 dual carriageway is a danger as it is blocking drivers' view of the road

UNCUT grass on a central reservation of the A5 dual carriageway is a 'serious danger' for motorists and residents, it has been claimed.

The grass on the reservation, on Watling Street in Newtown, Brownhills, has not been cut since last year – and resident Sylvia Jackson says the problem is a nightmare for residents.

She claims the road is already a problem for those living nearby due to heavy traffic and speeding vehicles and that the overgrown grass issue 'needs fixing' for their safety and to prevent a potential accident.

"It is absolutely ridiculous, this is a serious danger, and it is so easy to solve," Mrs Jackson said.

"I have complained to Highways England on June 10 but nothing has been done about it yet. Those of us who live here are used to the grass problem now and we know our way around it, but we still have to be careful," Mrs Jackson added.

She also expressed her concerns about litter and speeding, claiming that she felt as though Brownhills had 'fallen off the map' due its location on the Walsall-Staffordshire boundary.

PATIENTS in the Cannock Chase area are being urged to use antibiotics responsibly to keep them in good health and prevent disease-resistant infection from spreading.

Antibiotics are a vital tool for treating infections such as pneumonia, meningitis and tuberculosis and for preventing infections during surgical procedures and cancer treatment. However, the more antibiotics are used, the less effective they become because overuse gives resistant bacteria a greater chance to survive and spread.

Dr Mo Huda, chair of Cannock Chase Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG), said: "It is a common misconception that antibiotics are a cure-all – but the reality is, they just won't work in the case of a cold or the flu. Patients should be assured that when antibiotics are necessary they will be prescribed – but for other conditions alternative advice on symptom management will be provided rather than prescribing an antibiotic if it will not be effective.

Evidence

"There are many different types of antibiotics but they only work against bacterial infections, not viral infections such as colds, coughs and flu. Doctors and patients should also consider that antibiotics can have side-effects."

Dr Huda said health services locally were working hard to reduce unnecessary prescribing. He added: "The reduction in antibiotic prescribing in Cannock Chase CCG is evidence that prescribers are following national guidance."

During 2015-16, Cannock Chase CCG reviewed antibiotic prescribing.

Historically, local prescribing levels have always been considerably above the national average. In 2015-16 the overall prescribing of antibiotics in Cannock Chase CCG was reduced by 8.3 per cent.

The prescribing of broad spectrum antibiotics was also reduced. But despite the reductions in 2015-16, local prescribing still remains above the national average.

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Shugborough to shut early for NT takeover

SHUGBOROUGH Estate will shut three weeks earlier than expected to prepare for the National Trust to take back management of the heritage site.

But when the attraction, based north of Cannock Chase, reopens on March 21 it will stay open for the rest of the year except Christmas Day, as the charity implements its new operating model straight away.

Staffordshire County Council will formally hand the keys over to the trust on November 1, cutting its lease 49 years short.

Shugborough was set to close on October 21 ahead of the transfer but now the council has confirmed that the date has been brought forward to September 30.

The authority has reassured staff expecting to work throughout the whole of October that they will not lose any hours or wages although they will be carrying out different duties.

People who had paid for a Privilege Pass to visit the attraction up until the original closure date will receive a month's free access next year.

Volunteers

A spokesman for the National Trust said they supported the decision to close early.

The charity was unable to confirm how workers would be affected by the transfer but it is understood dozens of people are set to lose their jobs.

The council's operating model saw 35 full-time roles, 52 seasonal staff and 115 volunteers on the books although in recent years the authority has been losing more than £650,000 annually due to the running of Shugborough.

In April, one worker, who asked not to be named, claimed only eight current staff would be kept on.

Following the latest developments they said: "There is apparently much work to do to clear spaces and places of items and equipment which the National Trust will not require and staff may have to face the dreadful job of 'clearing out' the estate before it is handed over on the 1st November."

Pupils will really stand out

Pupils in their new high-vis jackets pictured with executive headteacher Paul Lovern and Danielle Goffe-Wood of Cameron Homes

CHILDREN from three Staffordshire schools will now feel safer when on trips out thanks to a local builder.

Cameron Homes, which is developing a range of properties in Kings Bromley, has donated high-visibility vests to Richard Crosse Church of England Primary and its sister schools.

Sales and marketing manager Danielle Goffe-Wood said Cameron, which has its head office in Chasetown, was a very safety-conscious company and wanted to do something to help the local community. She said: "We have been on site building our Kings Wood development for some months so feel we are part of the village now.

"The bright waistcoats will help the children to be easily spotted and should ensure they are safer when out and about."

Paul Lovern, executive head teacher of Richard Crosse, which has 134 pupils, said he was very grateful for the donation.

"We would like to say a big thank you to Cameron Homes," he said.

Cadets join the fight against exploitation

Cannock cadets are among those who have taken part in interactive training over a two-week period

POLICE Cadets are going on the front line in the fight against child sexual exploitation (CSE).

Cadets at all units have taken part in interactive training over a two-week period by Staffordshire Police's Prevent CSE Team. The awareness sessions looked at how to spot the signs of CSE, its effects, the law, and where to go to for help. They also included discussions about how to stay safe online and the dangers of 'sexting'. The Staffordshire Police cadet service was launched by Police & Crime Commissioner Matthew Ellis to strengthen links between the police and young people and promote good citizenship.

Successful cadet units, for youngsters aged 14 to 17, have been launched in Stafford, Cannock, Burslem, Tamworth, Longton and Codsall. All units have taken part in the CSE training and a number of Cadets are set to become CSE 'champions' to help raise awareness among their peers.

Chambers total hits 900

THE Staffordshire Chambers of Commerce are celebrating a breakthrough as their membership figure reaches 900.

A total of 1,400 businesses throughout the county are now supported by the chambers.

This network enables businesses to work together, make new contacts, receive support and benefits from the Chambers, and have their voice heard at local, regional, national and international levels.

The chambers' membership team is holding a double celebration having just been shortlisted for the British Chambers of Commerce (BCC) Excellence in Chamber Membership award. Chris Plant, membership director at the Chambers of Commerce, said: "We are incredibly proud of our growing membership and breaking through the 900 mark is a tremendous milestone for us.

"Businesses that join the chambers immediately enter a network of like-minded people who they can connect, work and share knowledge with – all things that we know are important to our members.

"The BCC shortlisting was the icing on the cake. It came completely out of the blue as it is not an award that you put yourself forward for," Mr Plant added.

Chris Plant – 'proud'

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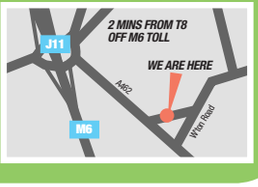

Firm on move after £3m investment

EDS Couriers' new base at Heath Hayes has come after a £3m investment in the delivery firm

A FAMILY-RUN business, which has been based in Cannock and the Black Country for half a century, is setting its sights on rapid growth, following a £3 million investment.

EDS Couriers, part of the UK's largest independent courier company APC Overnight, was founded by Len Evans in the 1960s as a petrol station and workshop. Today, it is one of the region's leading independent delivery companies.

The investment, which was secured through funding partners NatWest, Royal Bank of Scotland and Lombard Asset Finance, has allowed the company to double its capacity, moving onto a new 2.5-acre site in Heath Hayes. The finance deal was negotiated by Mark Winter-Wright Senior, commercial banking manager at Nat West, based in Wolverhampton.

Current managing director Andy Evans – son of founder Len Evans – attributes the company's ongoing success in part to the decision to join the APC Overnight delivery network in 2003. He said: "Thanks to continued support and investment, in less than 13 years we have gone from working out of a two-car garage to a 36-bay super-depot with parking for around 60 vans, trucks and trailers."

EDS Couriers' continued growth has also been good for employment, with the company expanding from a workforce of 15 in 2003 to more than 100 employees, including 20 new positions in the last six months.

Jonathan Smith, CEO of APC Overnight, said: "Several thousand small and medium sized businesses rely on our regional depots to help them reach out to more of their customers.

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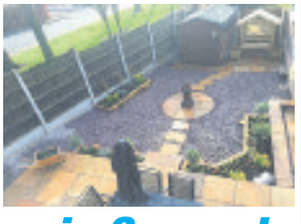

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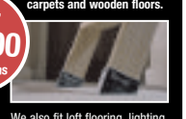

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Youngsters ready for a Big Friendly Read

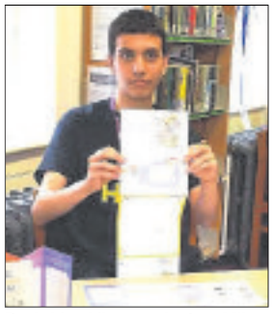
STAFFORDSHIRE County Council's Libraries & Arts service is setting a Big Friendly challenge for younger readers

The Big Friendly Read is this year's Summer Reading Challenge, and young people are invited to join their local libraries in celebrating 100 years of storyteller Roald Dahl.

The annual Summer Reading Challenge encourages children to read at least six books during their long school break. Those who take part will be able to enjoy free or inexpensive Roald Dahl-themed activities at their local library, a dedicated website and app, scratch 'n' sniff collectors' cards and finally receive a certificate and medal for completing.

Last year more than 13,000 children across the county signed up for the scheme with almost 8,500 completing.

Staffordshire's libraries leader, County Councillor Gill Heath, said this year's Summer Reading Challenge will definitely put the fun back into reading for young people. She said: "Roald Dahl has been a family favourite for many years, and with the forthcoming movie adaptation of the Big Friendly Giant due in our cinemas later this month, I'm sure his popularity is about to soar. At the county council, we realise how important it is to encourage our children to keep up with their reading over the long school holidays, and the Summer Reading Challenge is one of the best ways to put the buzz back into books.



Penkridge Library volunteer Mikey Roberts prepares to sign youngsters up

"Almost 60 per cent of children surveyed believed they were a better reader at the end of the holidays than at the start of last year's challenge.

"And I'm delighted that 685 children became new Staffordshire library members in order to take part in the scheme.

"So look out for The Big Friendly Read posters featuring the amazing artwork of Roald Dahl's principal illustrator, Sir Quentin Blake, with some of his best-loved characters."

The Summer Reading Challenge launched in libraries across Staffordshire on Saturday.

The Summer Reading Challenge, delivered by Staffordshire Libraries, is produced by The Reading Agency, an independent charity working to inspire people to read more.

For information about the Summer Reading Challenge, visit www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk

Fiction comes to life at celebration day

Pupils from Cheslyn Hay High School act out The Wolf Wilder by Katherine Rundell

STUDENTS and staff from 17 Staffordshire schools enjoyed a festival of fiction at a top aerospace museum to celebrate the best in new teen books.

Now in its 12th year, the Young Teen Fiction Award aims to encourage the county's young people, aged between 11 and 14, to enjoy reading the newest fiction from top authors, and share their enthusiasm with others.

Each year this Staffordshire reading initiative culminates in a celebration event, where six schools are invited to create and stage a special representation of one of the six shortlisted books.

RAF Museum Cosford was again the venue for this year's celebration day when the 162 youngsters present were able to enjoy the six performances and then cast the final votes for the overall winner.

Thousands of Staffordshire schoolchildren began nominating their favourite reads online in September 2015 with six titles shortlisted in February this year.

During the Celebration Day the youngsters had the opportunity to meet and chat with best-selling authors Stuart Hill (The Icemark Chronicles) and Virginia Bergin (Rain / H2O series).

The county's youngsters voted 13 Hours by Narinder Dhami the winner of this year's award, with Mind Games by Terri Terry as their second choice and Big Game by Dan Smith as third.

Nominations for the 2017 Award will open in September.

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Hoard secrets 'likely to remain a mystery'

CONSERVATION work has been completed on the Staffordshire Hoard – but archaeologists say its true secrets may never be revealed.

Some 4,000 fragments were excavated from a field in Hammerwich in 2009 and work to clean and restore the pieces has finished, making up about 900 'catalogue' items. Now experts are writing up their findings with a view to publishing a full report in 2018 addressing some of the major questions about the hoard, with the reason it was buried being the biggest mystery but Pieta Greaves, Hoard Conservation Co-ordinator at Birmingham Museum, said that question may never be answered.

She said: "The hoard has undergone a major research project being supported by Historic England answering some of those big questions, 'Why is it there?', 'Who put it there?' Some questions research won't be able to answer. There will always be a bit of mystery about it, which is nice in a way.

Remarkable

"But we are also talking about what the hoard means, how it was made and what it means for the Mercia Kingdom."

The hoard was the largest collection of Anglo-Saxon gold and silverwork found anywhere in the world and even more remarkable for its vast majority of military-orientated pieces.

Ms Greaves said: "It is all from elite warriors of the Anglo-Saxons. The original theory is still sound. It was probably given to the soldiers by the king who would have expected something back.

"It was all for men. We always assume these beautiful items are for women but they were not. They were objects of power and a real show of strength. It has changed what we thought we knew.

"But it is very interesting to think about the technology of these pieces.

"How were they making these objects so tiny and so detailed and why? Why would they need to make something so small."

College day raises smile

Enjoying the introduction day during fresher week, is student Emily Venables, aged 16, of Cannock, at Walsall College

HUNDREDS of students starting college courses in September attended a series of introduction days to get a glimpse of college life.

The welcome events at Walsall College, which took place at the Wisemore campus and Business and Sports Hub, were designed to give students the opportunity to find out more about the range of activities they can take part in alongside their courses .

The Students' Union, finance, work experience and volunteering teams gave advice and offered tips on the different ways they can make the most of their time at the college, including boosting their CVs and signing up to different clubs.

Among those attending was Emily Venables, of Cannock, who is enrolling on a level two media make-up course in September. She said: "I'm really looking forward to joining the college as I've heard a lot of good things from friends that are have been here, and the facilities for my course are fantastic."

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Families off to the seaside – on a farm

Lower Drayton Farm attraction manager Debbie Cox has her bucket and spade at the ready for the weekend

LOWER Drayton Farm near Penkridge is bringing a bit of the seaside to land-locked Staffordshire this weekend.

"Bring the family with your deckchairs and bucket and spades to make the most of the specially created 'beach' where the kids can play, before tucking into traditional seaside fish and chips and ice creams that will be available to buy on the day," farm attraction manager Debbie Cox said.

"And the fun doesn't stop there – you will also enjoy all of the farm's usual attractions; with friendly animals to meet, a woodland walk and nature trail to explore, a fun yet educational farm trailer ride, adventure playground and the summer maize maze, which will be open to the public for the first time this year."

The seaside event will be held tomorrow, Saturday and Sunday from 10am to 4pm, to mark the start of the summer holidays. There is a special '2 for 1' offer on admission.

Visitors who enjoy live music will also have the chance to upgrade their ticket and enjoy the Middle of Nowhere Music Festival featuring blues, rock and folk which is taking place on the farm over the same weekend.

For full details of these events, including admission prices, visit www.lowerdraytonfarm.co.uk

Graffiti in cell checks racist, say inspectors

INSPECTORS discovered racist graffiti in the cells at Cannock Magistrates Court.

It was found during inspections of cells and custody suites across the West Mercia region and Staffordshire.

Chief inspector of prisons Peter Clarke said: "Most custody suites were in good condition – they were generally clean and contained minimal graffiti. Exceptions included Cannock Magistrates' Court and Shrewsbury Crown Court which were dirty, oppressive and contained substantial amounts of graffiti, some of which was racist.

By Simon Stone

Rigorous

"We were concerned that staff at these courts had not identified these issues during their daily cell checks and it was clear that some custody staff were not rigorous enough when they checked cells or scrutinised graffiti for offensive remarks."

Mr Clarke said most staff in court custody interacted well with detainees and were friendly and respectful. It was also claimed that low staffing levels at courts were having a "significant impact" on the treatment of prisoners.

Inmates are not being brought before courts at the prescribed time and the lack of available vehicle crews was leading to delays getting detainees to prison, according to Mr Clarke.

In some cases the delays are lasting several hours, he said. "These delays were excessive and resulted in detainees remaining in court custody cells for longer than necessary."

Recommendations made include that all court cells be clean and free of graffiti. Measures should also be put in place to ensure detainees in custody have their cases prioritised where possible.

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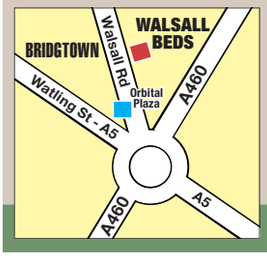

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Recognition for apprentices

MORE than 120 apprentices took centre stage for their graduation ceremony.

The Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent, apprentices, and their families, were joined by employers and training providers at the County Showground. Apprentices from engineering, education, retail and enterprise, business and management, care and IT were all recognised for their achievements.

County councillor Ben Adams, cabinet member for learning and skills, said: "Increasing the number of apprenticeships and providing young people especially with the right training to get quality jobs remains our focus and is key to our plans to grow Staffordshire's economy."

David Frost CBE, chairman of the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Local Enterprise Partnership said: "It is only right to celebrate the hard work and achievements of our apprentices and the contribution they are making to local businesses and communities."

Sam Turner, of Cannock, an apprentice engineer with JCB, said: "I want to train to degree level but I chose the apprenticeship because it has given me four years work experience with progression opportunities."

Volunteer points way with award for contribution

A CANNOCK man's outstanding contribution to volunteering was rewarded by former Premier David Cameron – on his last day in office as Prime Minister.

Doug Smith, honorary life vice-president of the charity Riding for the Disabled, has volunteered with the association for 27 years and was given a Points of Light Award.

Mr Smith has worked with Imperial College London to develop new technology that allows deaf and blind people to ride independently. He is a regular coach across several regions and has organised the National Championships, the biggest event of its kind for riders with disabilities.

Mr Cameron said: "Doug's inspirational service is giving back to the Riding for the Disabled Association, a charity he credits with giving him a new lease of life.

"His work with Imperial College London has led to exciting new innovations, giving deaf and blind people the opportunity to safely ride without mentors. I'm delighted to name Doug the United Kingdom's 580th Point of Light."

Points of Light award winner Doug Smith

Established

The Points of Light award has been developed in partnership with the hugely successful Points of Light programme in the USA and was first established by President George H. W.Bush.

More than 5,000 US Points of Light have been awarded and both Presidents George H. W.Bush and Barack Obama have publicly supported the partnership with Points of Light UK which honours shining examples of volunteering across the country.

Whether it's a doctor restoring local monuments in her free time, a father teaching young people life skills, or a local musician giving a voice to lonely people, the Point of Light award honours shining examples of volunteering across the UK. Mr Smith said: "I was delighted and surprised to receive this award. I am immensely proud to be a part of Riding for the Disabled Association and thoroughly enjoy helping our participants to get the maximum benefit from what we can offer."

Cannock Chase MP Amanda Milling said: "I am thrilled Doug has been recognised for his hard work. He is a great example of someone who is helping people in the area and making such a huge difference to the community."

Homing in on help for village show

ONE of the longest-running village shows in Staffordshire has been given a helping hand by a leading county building firm.

Family-owned Cameron Homes, of Chasetown, has agreed to become this year's main sponsor of the Kings Bromley Show, which takes place this weekend.

The company, which has built a range of homes at the Kings Wood development in the village, six miles from Lichfield, is supporting the event, which is traditionally held on the fourth Saturday in July each year and attended by around 2,500 people.

Kirsten Harber, show co-ordinator, said she and fellow organisers were extremely grateful for the support of the housebuilder. She said: "This year we particularly value the very generous sponsorship of Cameron Homes.

"Their support and contribution will help us to provide another fantastic day of entertainment for all the family and the proceeds from the show will go to benefit the local community."

The show will kick off with horse classes at 9.30am.

It wall also feature professional ring entertainments, a companion dog show, sideshows, trade and crafts stands, field exhibits and competitive classes.

Valuable

Danielle Goffe-Wood, sales and marketing manager of Cameron, said the firm was happy to get involved in the local community and to provide valuable sponsorship for the event.

The company is providing a small development of 12 high specification homes in Lichfield Road in the village. Only one property remains for sale, a five-bedroom detached house priced at £595,000.

The firm has also just announced details of new schemes at nearby Barton Marina in Barton under Needwood and Tatenhill.

Quiz night is staged by Conservative Association

QUIZ buffs can test their knowledge in Cannock next week. Cannock Conservative Association is hosting a quiz from 7.30pm on Friday, July 29.

It takes place in the Churchill Room at Cannock Conservative Club, 92 High Green. Teams of four, or individuals, are invited at a cost of just £4 per person, to include light bites served during the evening.

Non-members are welcome. To book a place, call Diane Bennett on 01543 271235.

Potted porcelain history

A POTTED history of pottery and porcelain is the subject at Cheslyn Hay & District Local History Society next week. David Bartley will give the talk, and value items, at the Salem, High Street, Cheslyn Hay, from 7.30pm on Thursday, July 28. Admission is £1 including refreshments.

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Department head now in a new role

RICHARD McNeilly has been appointed managing partner of Staffordshire-based Dains Accountants. He has been head of business development throughout his 10 years with the firm.

Mr McNeilly

He takes over from Spencer Wright who is stepping down after nearly 10 years in the role. Mr McNeilly said: "I am delighted that Spencer will be continuing to work with Dains in a consultancy role and also working with Dains IT Solutions in an advisory role in the coming months – a challenge I know he is looking forward to."

Dains is an independent firm of chartered accountants, employing 140 staffat offices in Rugeley, Lichfield, Birmingham, Burton on Trent, Derby and Stoke on Trent.

Walk at trust HQ will have a buzz

LOCAL bee expert Ron Rock will be leading a two-hour bumblebee walk at the Staffordshire Wildlife Trust's headquarters.

The event in the grounds of the Wolseley Centre, between Rugeley and Stafford is on Sunday, July 31 starting at midday.

Places on the walk are £3 and can be booked in advance by calling 01889 880100.

Final straw as scarecrow brings up fun run field

COLOURFUL Wizard of Oz characters brought a touch of movie magic to an annual fun run.

Veteran participant Charles Bevan, aged 69, of Abbots Bromley, near Rugeley, has taken part in every one of the JCB Lakeside Five and Fun Run events and dressed as the Scarecrow from the Wizard Of Oz for the 33rd running.

The former JCB chief electrical engineer drafted in his family and friends to play the parts of the Tin Man, the Cowardly Lion, the Wicked Witch of the West and Dorothy.

The fancy dress quintet were among more than 300 runners of all ages and abilities who lined up for the five-mile senior race and 2.3 mile fun run around countryside near to JCB's World HQ in Rocester.

For the first time in 20 years the course was changed and the direction was reversed, adding a bit of spice for veteran runners.

Despite this, the ever-popular event was right on course to raise around £3,000 for the NSPCC through entry fees and other donations.

First across the line this year was baker James Skelton who completed the course in 26min 46sec. First lady was 45-year-old Charlene Hollinshead, from Cheadle, who crossed the line in 32min.

Charles was cheered on as he was the final competitor to cross the line. All entrants received a unique JCB medal.

Following the yellow brick road, from left, are, Lily Weals, aged 13, Paul Bates, Charles Bevan, David Weals, Lottie Weals, 11

Change is coming in MD's office

IDEAL Standard, manufacturer of residential, commercial and healthcare bathroom solutions, has appointed Jim Moore as managing director for the UK & Ireland.

Mr Moore

He will assume responsibility for the business development across the group's leading brands – Armitage Shanks, Ideal Standard and Sottini. Mr Moore succeeds interim MD, David Barber, effective from August 1.

Ideal Standard UK has its HQ in Kingston upon Hull, East Yorkshire, with further manufacturing sites in the UK, including the historic Armitage Shanks in Staffordshire and at Newton Aycliffe in County Durham.

Work under way at development

WORK is under way on a housing development in Rugeley which will bring in more than 100 homes and in excess of 200 jobs.

Barratt Homes West Midlands is behind the scheme at Ravenhill Park in Armitage Road and will invest more than £327,000 towards education and off-site open space.

Sales manager Katie Yates and site boss Dan Hopkins marked the start of work with a sod-cutting ceremony.

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Check out full listings in **the ticket** in Friday's Express & Star

Reunited Busted back in the race

NOUGHTIES pop favourites Busted are mended... the return of frontman Charlie Simpson after a decade away means that the original trio will be back for a huge end of summer gig at Wolverhampton Racecourse on September 3.

Music Live! presents an afternoon and evening of horse racing and pop music for £38 a ticket (£18 under-18s) and family packages are available. Gates open at 3.20pm and there will be seven races on the all-weather track, starting at 5.50pm, followed by music after the last race.

Singer Charlie Simpson has rejoined former bandmates James Bourne and Matt Willis, after they formed a partnership with McFly in supergroup McBusted for hugely successful arena tours.

Busted themselves had four no1 singles, two albums and sold five million records before enjoying a record-breaking run of 12 sold-out shows at Wembley.

The Essex trio's hits included What I Go To School For, Year 3000, You Said No, Air Hostess, Crashed The Wedding, Who's David and Thunderbirds/3AM.

Charlie said: "A year ago James and I got together and just started hanging out. It really had been 10 years since we hung out. There was this huge void of time where we just didn't speak. Not because he had any issues but I was off doing my own thing, and he was busy, so we just drifted apart.

"And we just started... getting on. It felt really different, somehow, to how it had ten years ago. And the idea crept into my head: what would Busted look like today?"

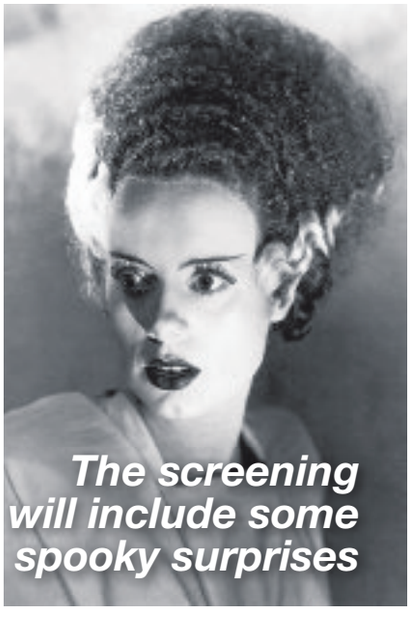
Busted mended – James Bourne, Matt Willis and Charlie Simpson

James, guitarist and the main songwriter, admits he was pessimistic about the return of the band he had co-founded in Southend-on-Sea in 2000, adding: "I thought it was dead and buried when the band had been gone for five years.

"For me, there's a huge sense of unfinished business," says bassist Matt. "I think I always thought in my heart we'd do Busted again."

The Wolverhampton gig extends the band's comeback Pigs Can Fly tour.

See www.wolverhampton-racecourse.co.uk for details.



Movie night at the castle

DUDLEY Castle will be the atmospheric backdrop for an outdoor screening of a classic black and white horror movie this summer.

The Bride of Frankenstein, directed by Dudley-born Hollywood movie maker James Whale, will be screened on Saturday, August 6, at an event entitled Dudley Castle After Dark, as part of Birmingham-based Flatpack Film Festival's Black Country Pop-up Film Tour.

The 1935 movie stars Boris Karloff as the Monster and Elsa Lanchester in the dual role of Frankenstein author Mary Shelley and the Monster's mate.

The special screening will include some spooky surprises and the audience are invited to bring their own blanket or chair when the Black Country landmark is transformed into an open-air cinema.

Tickets cost £10 (£8 concessions) for the 8pm screening. The film is a PG and runs for 75 minutes.Tickets available from flatpackfestival.org.uk/event/bride-of-frankenstein website.

Mr Whale, who died in 1957 aged 67, came from humble beginnings in Park Hill Street, Buffery Park, to become one of cinema's most influential directors. His work included such classics as Frankenstein and the Invisible Man in the 1930s. One of six children born to a blast furnaceman and a nurse, he attended Kate's Hill Board School, Bayliss Charity School and Dudley Blue Coat School. He began his career as an artist and actor before directing, first in the theatre and then for the silver screen.

Psychedelic rock and boyband pop

PSYCHEDELIC outfit Moon Duo from America's West Coast bring their hazy fuzz rock to Kings Heath pub venue The Hare & Hounds on Friday with support from Birmingham's Victories At Sea. The venue's other room that night hosts Canadian art rockers Weaves with Brum garage rockers Table Scraps. On Saturday Ireland's hottest boy band Taken play the High Street venue, then US soul songstress Conya Doss plays on Wednesday.

On Friday Calfornia's White Buffalo (AKA Jake Smith) is at Digbeth's O2 Institute. Scottish outfit The Lafontaines bring hip hop rock to The Rainbow in Digbeth on Sunday.

Super-sized panto with hint of Spice

THE World's Biggest Pantomime is set to dazzle this Christmas in Birmingham – and it's a real family affair for its biggest star.

Traditional panto Snow White will be 'super-sized' at the Barclaycard Arena with a cast of 100 performers and a 45ft-tall castle. The cast include former Spice Girl Mel B as the Scary Queen with her daughters Angel Murphy, nine, and Madison Belafonte, five, taking part.

The show, December 19-22, also features Take Me Out's Paddy McGuinness, Celebrity Big Brother winner Rylan and star dancers Vincent Simone and Flavia Cacace.

Oh Mamma Mia! show is a big hit

SUNSHINE musical Mamma Mia! continues to pull in the crowds at Birmingham Hippodrome, where it runs until September 3. The combination of a Greek island setting, humour and romance with the music of ABBA has proven the perfect recipe for a blockbuster.

That's Entertainment, a show celebrating musical theatre, is at Birmingham's New Alexandra Theatre until Saturday with West End star Ruthie Henshall. On Sunday Motown tribute show How Sweet It Is visits the Alex for one night. Cult musical Rent is staged at The Old Rep on Station Street from Tuesday to Saturday, July 30

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Quentin Blake

The Marvellous World of Roald Dahl (BBC2, 8pm)

Documentary, making use of archived letters, writings and biographical material to tell the story of the life of Roald Dahl. From his time as a fighter pilot in the Second World War, though to his work as a spy and his encounters with Walt Disney and Theodore Roosevelt, the programme explores how Dahl's personal experiences may have informed the fantastical tales he would eventually publish, including Charlie and the Chocolate Factory and Matilda. Includes contributions by Dahl's last wife Liccy, his daughter Lucy and biographer Donald Sturrock. Long-term collaborator Quentin Blake also provides new animated illustrations based on the events of Dahl's life.

BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. **10.00** Saturday Kitchen Live. **11.30** Mary Berry's Absolute Favourites. (R) **12.00** BBC News: Weather. **12.15** Bargain Hunt. (R) **12.45** Faster, Higher, Stronger: Katarina's Olympic Dream. A profile of Team GB heptathlete Katarina Johnson-Thompson. **1.15** Athletics: London Anniversary Games. Day one from the Olympic Stadium. **5.15 Film:** Toy Story. (1995) Pixar animated adventure, with the voices of Tom Hanks and Tim Allen.

6.30 BBC News.

6.40 Regional Programme.

6.50 The Getaway Car. Competitors from London, south Wales and Liverpool are among those taking to the course in South Africa to put their collaborative driving skills to the test.

7.40 The National Lottery: Five Star Family Reunion. A UK family and their long-lost overseas relatives must work together and answer questions to win a reunion in a five-star location. Includes the weekend draw. Last in the series.

8.30 The Musketeers. Aramis and the Queen attempt to broker peace between France and Spain, but their efforts go disastrously awry when the villainous Grimaud kidnaps Aramis in a bid to seal an alliance with the influential Duke of Lorraine. Lucien's demands threaten to ruin Anne's reputation, and the Musketeers must find a way to rescue their comrade in arms while maintaining the Queen's virtue. However, D'Artagnan's family ties threaten to derail the mission. Meanwhile, the White Plague tightens its grip on King Louis, and as his health goes into a spectacular decline, a familiar face returns to lay claim to Athos. Swashbuckling drama, starring Santiago Cabrera, Matthew McNulty, Alexandra Dowling and Tom Burke.

9.25 BBC News; Weather.

9.45 Mrs Brown's Boys Live. The comedy starring Brendan O'Carroll goes live for a special episode where anything could happen.

10.15 Peter Kay: 20 Years of Funny. A celebration of the comedian's two decades in the business; (R) National Lottery Update.

11.15 Film: The Wedding Video. (2012) Comedy, with Rufus Hound.

12.45 Weather for the Week Ahead.

12.50 BBC News.

BBC2

6.25 The Women's Football Show. (R) **6.55** Coast. (R) **7.45 Film:** The Valley of Gwangi. (1969) **9.20** Taking Flight: Britain's America's Cup Challenge. **10.10** Homes Under the Hammer. (R) **11.10** Natural World. (R) **12.00** The Hairy Bikers' Northern Exposure. (R) **1.00 Film:** Day of the Evil Gun. (1968) Western, starring Glenn Ford. **2.30** Escape to the Continent. (R) **3.30** Flog It! (R) **4.30** Full Steam Ahead. (R) **5.30** Gardeners' World. (R)

6.00 Newsnight Special: Life After Brexit.

6.50 Proms Extra 2016. New series. Katie Derham returns with the weekly magazine show, which serves as a companion to the BBC's signature classical music season. With music by Sheku Kanneh-Mason.

7.30 Dad's Army. Captain Mainwaring and his platoon are ordered to clear the area for a major army exercise – but encounter a problem in the shape of a steam engine blocking the path. (R)

8.00 The Marvellous World of Roald Dahl. Documentary telling the story of the life of Roald Dahl, with contributions by Dahl's wife Liccy, his daughter Lucy, biographer Donald Sturrock and illustrator Quentin Blake.

9.00 Keith Richards: The Origin of the Species. In a documentary directed by acclaimed film-maker Julien Temple, the Rolling Stones guitarist looks back at his formative years in the aftermath of the Second World War.

10.00 QI XL. Extended edition. Josh Widdicombe, Aisling Bea, Tony Hawks and Alan Davies attempt to answer Stephen Fry's range of fiendish questions on the topics of love and loveliness. (R)

10.45 Versailles. With Louis laid low by a major fever, those conspiring against him grow in strength and confidence. Meanwhile, Philippe is caught in the middle; (R) Inside Versailles.

11.45 Film: I Am Number Four. (2011) A teenager with special powers becomes a fugitive from aliens determined to hunt him down and destroy him. Sci-fi thriller, starring Alex Pettyfer and Timothy Olyphant.

1.25 Film: Far from Home. (1989) Thriller, starring Drew Barrymore. **2.50** This Is BBC Two.

ITV

6.00 CITV: Fort Boyard Ultimate Challenge. **6.25** Pat & Stan. (R) **6.35** Dino Dan. (R) **6.45** Dino Dan. (R) **6.55** Signed Stories: Share a Story. (R) **7.00** Sooty. (R) **7.15** Super 4. (R) **7.35** Thunderbirds Are Go. (R) **8.00** Ninjago: Rise of the Snakes. (R) **8.25** ITV News. **8.30** Weekend. **9.25** Murder, She Wrote. (R) **10.20** Murder, She Wrote. (R) **11.20** Who's Doing the Dishes? (R) **12.20** ITV News; Weather. **12.25** The Wine Show. **1.30** Big Box Little Box. (R) **2.00** Doc Martin. (R) **3.00** The Chase. (R) **4.00** Midsomer Murders. (R)

6.00 Regional Programme; Weather.

6.15 ITV News; Weather.

6.30 You've Been Framed! Gold. Harry Hill narrates another selection of comical mishaps filmed by viewers. This week, a mechanic uses an airbag as a launch-pad. A moped selfie causes a nasty accident that results in a string of profanities, and a peck from a tropical bird make's Grandad's eyes water. Plus, a video detailing the dangers of wearing a monkey as a wig. (R)

7.00 Catchphrase. Stephen Mulhern hosts the game show, asking three contestants to "see it and say it" as they try to guess the familiar phrases hidden in animated clues. After the first elimination, the two remaining players battle to reach the Super Catchphrase round, where one of them could win £50,000.

7.45 Film: The Amazing Spider-Man. (2012) A gifted teenager investigates the secrets hidden in his dead parents's past, leading him to a mysterious corporation and an incident that imbues him with superhuman powers. A personal tragedy drives him to use his new-found abilities to fight crime, and he is soon drawn into a deadly battle against a former colleague of his father, who has undergone a devastating transformation of his own. Superhero adventure reboot, starring Andrew Garfield, Emma Stone and Rhys Ifans.

10.20 ITV News; Weather.

10.35 Film: Inside Man. (2006) A negotiator deals with a hostage crisis at a bank, but a political fixer is sent to make sure secrets in the vault stay hidden. Thriller, starring Denzel Washington.

12.50 Jackpot247. **3.00** Murder, She Wrote. (R) **3.50** ITV Nightscreen.

CHANNEL 4

6.05 The Grid. **6.30** Gillette World Sport. **7.00** Tenerife Bluetrail. **7.25** British Rally Championship. **7.50** Dare to Believe: Georgie Hermitage. (R) **7.55** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.25** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.55** The Morning Line. **9.55** Formula 1: Hungarian Grand Prix Practice 3 Live. Coverage from the Hungaroring. **11.25** The Superhumans Show. **11.55** Formula 1: Hungarian Grand Prix Qualifying Live. Coverage from the Hungaroring (Start-time 1.00pm). **2.30** Channel 4 Racing. Live coverage from Ascot and York. **4.45** A Place in the Sun. **5.30** Channel 4 News. **5.55 Film:** Grease. (1978) Romantic musical, with John Travolta and Olivia Newton-John.

8.00 Alan Carr's Grease Night. Broadcasting live from a 1950s-style high school prom, the presenter is joined by celebrity guests including comedian Katherine Ryan and Didi Conn (Frenchy) to celebrate the film. The programme features dancing, dating and audience surprises, and at the end of the night two lucky revellers will win the ultimate high-school accolade of being crowned prom king and queen.

10.00 Film: The Inbetweeners Movie. (2011) Awkward teenagers Simon, Will, Jay and Neil head to Greece for a wild holiday – but things do not go to plan. Comedy, with Joe Thomas, Simon Bird, James Buckley and Blake Harrison.

11.50 Dare to Believe: Jack Rutter. A profile of the captain of Great Britain's disability football team, who will attempt to lead his team to glory at Rio 2016. (R)

11.55 Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA. Part two of two. The chef continues his quest to transform the fortunes of the Burger Kitchen in Los Angeles, where owner Alan gets a wake-up call from internet critics. (R)

12.55 Film: Rec 3: Genesis. (2012) Horror sequel, starring Leticia Dolera. **2.20** Dare to Believe: Ali Jawad. A profile of powerlifter Ali Jawad. (R) **2.25** Hollyoaks. Omnibus. Lisa decides to set up Zack and Holly, and later she and Sonia fight on The Dog patio. Meanwhile, Cleo and Nathan grow closer, and Kim collapses. (R) **4.25** French Collection. Three Brits aim to buy cheap and sell high after visiting a market in Arles, France. Last in the series. (R) **5.20** Kirstie's Vintage Gems. A couple's bedroom receives a makeover. (R)

CHANNEL 5

6.00 Milkshake! **8.25** Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles. (R) **9.00** The Saturday Show Live. **11.10** Police Interceptors. (R) **12.00** Benefits: Can't Work, Won't Work. (R) **1.00** Benefits: 26 Kids & Claiming. (R) **2.00** Benefits: Yorkshire Dole. (R) **3.00** Benefit Beauty Queens. (R) **4.00** World's Strongest Man 2015. (R) **5.00** World's Strongest Man 2015. (R)

6.00 World's Strongest Man 2015. Action from the third heat of the competition, which took place in Malaysia. Reigning champion Zydrunas Savickas took part alongside two-time Britain's Strongest Man Laurence Shahlaei, veteran American Nick Best and former Russian marine Mikhail Shivlyakov. Presented by James Richardson, Charlie Webster and Terry Hollands, with commentary by Colin Bryce and Danny Wallace. (R)

6.55 5 News Weekend.

7.00 Cricket on 5. England v Pakistan. Mark Nicholas presents action from day two of the Second Test in the four-match series, which took place at Old Trafford. With commentary by Geoffrey Boycott, Michael Vaughan and Simon Hughes.

8.00 NCIS. An NCIS Cyber case becomes a united global effort when evidence confirms that The Calling, an international terror group, has been recruiting vulnerable youngsters via the internet.

8.55 5 News Weekend.

9.00 Big Brother. Highlights of another 24 hours in the Big Brother house, including another chance to see last night's eviction, revealing who became the latest unlucky housemate given just 30 seconds to say their goodbyes, and how their departure has affected the others. However, given that the remaining residents will probably all be in Tuesday night's final, it's doubtful that any of them will be too upset.

10.00 Film: The Expendables. (2010) A mercenary team is double-crossed while on a mission to kill a South American dictator. Action thriller, directed by and starring Sylvester Stallone. With Jason Statham and Jet Li. Includes 5 News at 11pm.

12.05 SuperCasino. **3.10** Big Brother. (R) **4.00** Now That's Funny! (R) **4.50** Divine Designs. (R)

DIGITAL

BBC Four

7.00 The Search for the Lost Manuscript: Julian of Norwich **8.00** Who Were the Greeks? **9.00** Beck: The Weak Link **10.30** Sinatra: All or Nothing at All **12.35** Gershwin's Summertime: The Song That Conquered the World **1.35** Sings James Bond **2.35** Top of the Pops: 1982 **3.15** Close

ITV2

12.35 Catchphrase Celebrity Special **1.35** Ninja Warrior UK **2.35 Film:** The Flintstones (1994) **3.35** FYI Daily **3.40 Film:** The Flintstones (1994) **4.20 Film:** Nanny McPhee (2005) **5.20** FYI Daily **5.25 Film:** Nanny McPhee (2005) **6.15 Film:** Liar Liar (1997) **7.15** FYI Daily **7.20 Film:** Liar Liar (1997) **8.00 Film:** Burlesque (2010) **9.00** FYI Daily **9.05 Film:** Burlesque (2010) **10.25** Family Guy **11.55** American Dad! **12.55** The Cleveland Show **1.50** Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records **2.20** Planet's Funniest Animals **2.40** Teleshopping **5.40** ITV2 Nightscreen

ITV3

12.10 Agatha Christie's Marple **2.10 Film:** The Belles of St Trinian's (1954) **3.10** FYI Daily **3.15 Film:** The Belles of St Trinian's (1954) **4.00 Film:** Agatha (1979) **5.00** FYI Daily **5.05 Film:** Agatha (1979) **6.00** Midsomer Murders **8.00** Lewis **10.00** A Touch of Frost **12.10** The Jury **1.10** City Lights **2.05** ITV3 Nightscreen **2.30** Teleshopping

ITV4

11.00 Tour de France Highlights **12.00** Tour de France Live. **4.30** Storage Wars: New York **4.55** Monster Carp **6.00** The Motorbike Show **7.00** Tour de France Highlights **8.00 Film:** A View to a Kill (1985) **9.05** FYI Daily **9.10 Film:** A View to a Kill (1985) **10.40 Film:** Game of Death (2010) **11.40** FYI Daily **11.45 Film:** Game of Death (2010) **12.45** Motorway Patrol **1.10** Tour de France Highlights **2.05** The Wine Show **3.00** Teleshopping

E4

12.30 Melissa & Joey **1.30** Baby Daddy **2.30** New Girl **3.00** The Goldbergs **5.00** Brooklyn Nine-Nine **6.00** The Big Bang Theory **9.00 Film:** Bad Teacher (2011) **10.50** Gogglebox **12.55** Rude Tube **2.55** 2 Broke Girls **3.40** How I Met Your Mother **4.20** Rude(ish) Tube

Film4

11.00 Picture Perfect (1997) **1.00** Ice Age: Continental Drift (2012) **2.55** Fast Girls (2012) **4.40** Ferris Bueller's Day Off (1986) **6.45** The Three Musketeers (2011) **9.00** RoboCop (2014) **11.15** The Treatment (2014) **1.50** 21 & Over (2013) **3.45** Close

CHOICE

Dara O Briain

Robot Wars (BBC2, 8pm)

New series. Dara O Briain and Angela Scanlon host the revival of the series in which radio-controlled robots created by teams of amateur engineers battle it out in an arena. The machines have to make it through an initial group stage, then head-to-head rounds before the heat final. The first show features students from Reading and a family team from Caithness, as well as a memorable robot from the original series.

BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. **9.00** The Andrew Marr Show. **10.00** Sunday Morning Live. **11.00** Wanted Down Under. (R) **12.00** Bargain Hunt. (R) **1.00** BBC News; Weather. **1.15** Homes Under the Hammer. (R) **2.15** Escape to the Country. (R) **3.00** Animal Super Parents. (R) **4.00** Eat Well for Less? (R) **5.00** Lifeline. **5.10** Songs of Praise. **5.45** Pointless Celebrities. (R)

6.30 BBC News.

6.50 Regional Programme.

7.00 Countryfile. An episode from Cumbria marking Beatrix Potter's 150th birthday, in which Matt Baker visits the places that inspired her work and Naomi Wilkinson meets an artist who depicts inspirational women of the region. Helen Skelton visits a farm run using traditional methods and finds out about Lakeland wrestling, Adam Henson reports on the restoration of a landscape designed by Capability Brown, and Tom Heap investigates calls to ban the world's most common herbicide.

8.00 Fake or Fortune? Fiona Bruce and art expert Philip Mould visit a B&B in Aberdeenshire to pick up where the owner's late husband left off in proving that a painting is the work of 19th-century French artist Paul Delaroche. A visit to the British museum raises evidence that this could be a lost treasure once belonging to France's last king and queen, and they head for Normandy to inspect a stained glass window in the image of a lost Delaroche painting – but they also begin to suspect it is a copy, rather than the original.

9.00 The Secret Agent. Verloc leaves the city for Michaelis' Kent cottage to prepare his bombing plot, taking Stevie with him. Back in London, the Professor prepares to take action against Inspector Heat.

10.00 BBC News.

10.20 Regional Programme.

10.30 Live at the Apollo. Sarah Millican introduces routines by comedians Steve Hughes and Russell Kane. (R)

11.15 Film: Dinner for Schmucks. (2010) An executive befriends a dim-witted amateur taxidermist in the hope of winning a contest to find the most ridiculous dinner-party guest. Comedy, with Steve Carell and Paul Rudd.

1.00 Weather for the Week Ahead. **1.05** BBC News.

BBC2

6.15 The A to Z of TV Gardening. (R) **7.00** Great British Garden Revival. (R) **8.00** Gardeners' World. (R) **8.30** Countryfile. (R) **9.30** Saturday Kitchen Best Bites. (R) **11.00** A Cook Abroad: Rachel Khoo's Malaysia. (R) **12.00** Lorraine Pascale: How to Be a Better Cook. (R) **12.30** Inspire: The Olympic Journey. With Helen Glover and Heather Stanning. **1.00** Hitchcock's Leading Actors: Talking Pictures. (R) **1.30 Film:** Rear Window. (1954) Hitchcock thriller, starring James Stewart. **3.20** David Attenborough's Natural Curiosities. (R) **3.45** Flog It! (R) **4.30** New Zealand: Earth's Mythical Islands. (R) **5.30** Clare Balding Meets.

6.00 Film: Real Steel. (2011) In the future, boxing matches between eight-foot robots are one of the world's biggest sporting draws. A washed-up human prizefighter finds an abandoned android and sets about restoring it to become a potential champion, a project that reunites him with his estranged 11-year-old son. Sci-fi drama, starring Hugh Jackman, Dakota Goyo and Evangeline Lilly. Edited for daytime broadcast.

8.00 Robot Wars. New series. Radio-controlled robots battle it out in an arena.

9.00 Dragons' Den. New series. Evan Davis presents the business ideas contest, with regular panellists Deborah Meaden, Peter Jones, Sarah Willingham, Touker Suleyman and Nick Jenkins returning to assess the profit-making potential of the contestants' grand plans. Among the entrepreneurial endeavours in this episode are ideas for miniature pencils, oversized beanbags and a machine for cleaning football boots. However, one contestant finds their hopes may be dashed by the revelation that their company is already heavily in debt.

10.00 Fixing Dad. Two brothers document their efforts to ensure their father adopts a healthier lifestyle, as he struggles with various conditions linked to diabetes that threaten his life.

11.00 Horizon: Sports Doping – Winning at Any Cost? Dr Xand van Tulleken investigates the world of performance enhancing drugs. (R)

12.00 Sign Zone: Countryfile. (R) **12.55** Holby City. (R) **1.55** This Is BBC Two.

ITV

6.00 CITV: Fort Boyard Ultimate Challenge. **6.20** Pat & Stan. (R) **6.35** Dino Dan. (R) **6.45** Dino Dan. (R) **6.55** Signed Stories: Share a Story. (R) **7.00** Sooty. (R) **7.15** Super 4. (R) **7.30** Oddbods. (R) **7.35** Thunderbirds Are Go. (R) **8.00** Teen Titans Go! (R) **8.25** ITV News. **8.30** Weekend. **9.25** Murder, She Wrote. (R) **10.25** Murder, She Wrote. (R) **11.20** Judge Rinder. (R) **12.20** ITV News; Weather. **12.25** Rebound. (R) **1.25** Long Lost Family. (R) **2.30** Love Your Garden. (R) **3.30** Midsomer Murders. (R) **5.30** Masterpiece with Alan Titchmarsh. (R)

6.30 Regional Programme; Weather.

6.45 ITV News; Weather.

7.00 The Chase: Celebrity Special. Astrologer Russell Grant, Atomic Kitten singer Liz McClarnon, Loose Women's Sherrie Hewson and entertainer Des O'Connor compete to win thousands of pounds for charity by pitting their general knowledge against one of the show's resident trivia experts. However, they must work as a team to build their prize pot and stay one step ahead of the Chaser. Bradley Walsh hosts. (R)

8.00 Film: Quantum of Solace. (2008) James Bond sets out on a personal mission of vengeance as he pursues the secret criminal organisation Quantum. His search leads him to the head of an ecological corporation, who is plotting to orchestrate a coup in a Latin American country to get his hands on a precious natural resource. Spy thriller sequel, starring Daniel Craig, Olga Kurylenko, Judi Dench, Gemma Arterton and Mathieu Amalric.

10.05 ITV News; Weather.

10.15 Film: I Am Legend. (2007) A Manhattan-based scientist tries to find a cure for a viral plague that has turned all other humans into vampire-like creatures. Sci-fi thriller, with Will Smith and Alice Braga.

12.05 River Monsters. Part two of two. Jeremy Wade heads to Norway. (R) **12.30** Jackpot247. Viewers get the chance to participate in live interactive gaming from the comfort of their sofas, with a mix of roulette-wheel spins and lively chat from the presenting team. **3.00** Motorsport UK. Highlights from Oulton Park. **3.50** ITV Nightscreen. Text-based information service. **5.05** The Jeremy Kyle Show. The host invites guests to air their differences. (R)

CHANNEL 4

6.15 Shipping Wars. (R) **6.40** Shipping Wars. (R) **7.00** The King of Queens. (R) **7.30** The King of Queens. (R) **7.55** Frasier. (R) **8.25** Frasier. (R) **8.55** Dare to Believe: Natasha Baker. (R) **9.00** Sunday Brunch. **12.00** Formula 1: Hungarian Grand Prix Live. Coverage from the Hungaroring (Start-time 1.00pm). **3.30** Anniversary Games Athletics 2016. **4.00** Dare to Believe: Jordanne Whiley. (R) **4.05** A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun. **5.05 Film:** Toy Story That Time Forgot. (2014) Premiere. Short animated comedy, with the voices of Tom Hanks and Tim Allen. **5.30 Film:** Finding Nemo. (2003) Animated adventure, with the voices of Albert Brooks and Ellen DeGeneres.

7.30 Channel 4 News.

8.00 Saddam Goes to Hollywood. Documentary telling the story of a disastrous movie bankrolled by Saddam Hussein in the 1980s, which was to tell the story of the founding of Iraq. War with Iran disrupted filming, while the movie's star, Oliver Reed, horrified the locals with his heavy drinking. Although the film was completed, the tapes were subsequently lost – only to be recovered years later. Cast and crew are reunited to watch never-before-seen rushes and behind the scenes footage.

9.00 Film: The Secret Life of Walter Mitty. (2013) Premiere. An ordinary man seeks solace from his mundane life by drifting into daydreams where he is a heroic figure. When he and a friend are faced with unemployment, he is propelled into a globetrotting adventure in real life. Comedy drama based on James Thurber's short story, directed by and starring Ben Stiller.

11.05 Friday Night Dinner. Dad accidentally invites someone he hates to come round for dinner, and has to find a way to get rid of him. Fourth series of the sitcom, starring Paul Ritter. (R)

11.40 Dare to Believe: Hannah Cockroft. A profile of the British wheelchair athlete, who holds the Paralympic and world records for both the 100m T34 and 200m T34 events. (R)

11.45 Formula 1 2016 Hungarian Grand Prix Highlights.

12.45 Film: Escape from Alcatraz. (1979) **2.40** Born on the Same Day. (R) **3.35** Superfoods: The Real Story. (R) **4.00** Posh Pawn. (R)

CHANNEL 5

6.00 Milkshake!: Peppa Pig. **6.05** Toby's Travelling Circus. (R) **6.15** Angelina Ballerina: The Next Steps. (R) **6.30** Bob the Builder. (R) **6.40** Wanda and the Alien. (R) **6.50** Zack and Quack. (R) **7.05** Pets. (R) **7.10** Noddy in Toyland. (R) **7.20** Paw Patrol. (R) **7.35** Little Princess. (R) **7.45** Pip Ahoy! (R) **8.00** Blaze and the Monster Machines. (R) **8.30** Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom. (R) **8.45** Shimmer and Shine. **9.10** Jelly Jamm. (R) **9.30** LazyTown. (R) **9.55** Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles. (R) **10.30** Access. (R) **10.40** Now That's Funny! (R) **11.40** Now That's Funny! (R) **12.40 Film:** RV: Runaway Vacation. (2006) **2.30 Film:** Dennis the Menace Strikes Again. (1998) **4.00** World's Strongest Man 2015. (R) **5.00** World's Strongest Man 2015. (R)

6.00 World's Strongest Man Final 2015. Action from the Grand Final of the competition, which took place in Malaysia, as the 10 competitors who made it past the heats went head to head for the trophy. Last in the series. (R)

6.55 5 News Weekend.

7.00 Cricket on 5. England v Pakistan. Mark Nicholas presents action from day three of the Second Test in the four-match series, which took place at Old Trafford.

8.00 Puppies Make You Laugh Out Loud 2. Compilation of internet videos featuring dogs doing bizarre and humorous things. Narrated by Iain Lee, with contributors Dave Spikey, Matt Richardson and Zoe Lyons.

8.55 5 News Weekend.

9.00 Big Brother. Daily round-up of highlights as the remaining housemates start their final week under the all-seeing eye of Big Brother.

10.00 Lip Sync Battle US: Star Trek Special. LL Cool J and Chrissy Teigen invite Star Trek Beyond stars Zoe Saldana and Zachary Quinto to take part in a mime-off – with help from Cindy Crawford and T-Boz and Chilli of TLC. (R)

11.00 20 Moments That Shocked Pop. Countdown of significant performers, songs or occasions that impacted the genre, including 1985's global Live Aid event, which redefined how society donated to charity. (R)

12.30 Lip Sync Battle. (R) **12.55** SuperCasino. **3.10** GPs: Behind Closed Doors. (R) **4.00** Now That's Funny! (R) **4.50** Wildlife SOS. (R)

DIGITAL

BBC Four

7.00 BBC Proms 2016: A Child of Our Time **8.15** Playing Beethoven's Fifth **9.00** Classic Albums: The Beach Boys – Pet Sounds **10.00** Arena: 1966 – 50 Years Ago Today **11.00** Definitely Dusty **12.00** The Secret Life of Waves **1.00** Yellowstone **2.00** Classic Albums: The Beach Boys – Pet Sounds **3.00** Arena: 1966 – 50 Years Ago Today **4.00** Close

ITV2

12.50 Take Me Out **1.50** Catchphrase **2.30 Film:** Bill & Ted's Excellent Adventure (1989) **3.30** FYI Daily **3.35 Film:** Bill & Ted's Excellent Adventure (1989) **4.20 Film:** King Kong (2005) **5.20** FYI Daily **5.25 Film:** King Kong (2005) **7.55 Film:** The Wedding Planner (2001) **8.55** FYI Daily **9.00 Film:** The Wedding Planner (2001) **10.00** Family Guy **11.30** Bordertown **12.00** American Dad! **1.00** The Cleveland Show **2.00** Planet's Funniest Animals **2.20** Teleshopping **5.50** ITV2 Nightscreen

ITV3

11.55 A Touch of Frost **2.10 Film:** Agatha (1979) **3.15** FYI Daily **3.20 Film:** Agatha (1979) **4.10 Film:** Blue Murder at St Trinian's (1957) **5.10** FYI Daily **5.15 Film:** Blue Murder at St Trinian's (1957) **6.00** Sunday Night at the Palladium **7.00** Doc Martin **8.00** The Booze Cruise **10.10 Film:** Steptoe and Son (1972) **11.10** FYI Daily **11.15 Film:** Steptoe and Son (1972) **12.15** Wire in the Blood **3.00** May the Best House Win **4.45** On the Buses **5.40** ITV3 Nightscreen

ITV4

11.00 The Motorbike Show **12.00** Tour de France Highlights **1.00** Tour de France Live. The final stage of this year's race. **7.00** The Wine Show **8.00** Storage Wars **9.00** Tour de France Highlights **10.00 Film:** Unforgiven (1992) **11.05** FYI Daily **11.10 Film:** Unforgiven (1992) **12.40** Motorway Patrol **1.10** Tour de France Highlights **2.10** Hell on Wheels **2.50** ITV4 Nightscreen **3.00** Teleshopping

E4

12.30 The Goldbergs **2.30 Film:** Gulliver's Travels (2010) **4.10** Rude(ish) Tube **4.35** The Big Bang Theory **8.00** Tattoo Fixers **12.05** Rich Kids of Instagram **1.10** Containment **2.10** Gogglebox **3.05** Rude(ish) Tube

Film4

11.00 Sunshine on Leith (2013) **1.00** Honey, I Shrunk the Kids (1989) **2.50** Dunston Checks In (1996) **4.35** Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian (2009) **6.45** Ender's Game (2013) **9.00** Die Hard (1988) **11.40** The Others (2001) **1.45** Cedar Rapids (2011) **3.35** Close

PICK OF THE WEEK

FILM CHOICES

MONDAY

Perfect Seduction, Channel 5, 3.15pm

Despite having left his girlfriend behind in New York City for a promotion in Portland, Brandon hopes that they can make things work long-distance. But his new co-worker Simone has other ideas and she impersonates both Brandon and his absent girlfriend in order to end their relationship. Thriller, starring Adrienne Frantz, Jon Cor and Ashley Leggat. (2015)

TUESDAY

A Bone to Pick: An Aurora Teagarden Mystery, Channel 5, 3.15pm

Librarian sleuth Aurora Teagarden inherits a house when her friend unexpectedly dies and discovers her new home has a skull hidden in a window seat. She sets out to discover who the victim was, but finds herself thrown into a troubling murder mystery and a street full of suspicious neighbours. Mystery, starring Candace Cameron Bure, Peter Benson and Dave Collette. (2015)

The Nutty Professor, Friday, ITV, 10.40pm

WEDNESDAY

The Reader, Channel 4, 1.35am

A teenager embarks on a brief but passionate affair with an older woman, who seeks solace from her misery in the stories he reads to her. Years later, while observing the Nazi war crimes trials, he encounters her again and learns she acted as an SS concentration camp guard during the Second World War. Drama, starring an Oscar-winning Kate Winslet alongside Ralph Fiennes, Jeanette Hain and David Kross. (2008)

FRIDAY

The Nutty Professor, ITV, 10.40pm

An obese, terminally shy professor invents a potion that transforms him into a slim, loud-mouthed charmer. His new streamlined self immediately sets out to woo the woman of his dreams – but soon starts to ride roughshod over everything he used to care about. Remake of the 1963 Jerry Lewis comedy, starring Eddie Murphy, James Coburn, Larry Miller, Jada Pinkett Smith, Dave Chappelle, John Ales, Patricia Wilson and Jamal Mixon. (1996)

Dawn has to rethink her whole future

Who was it that claimed there are no good roles for women over a certain age, and that females are under-represented in TV drama?

Clearly they haven't been watching British telly recently, where the likes of Happy Valley, Vera, Marcella and From Darkness, to name but a few, have garnered acclaim and great ratings in equal measure.

Brief Encounters, which started four weeks ago, can now be added to that impressive list.

Set in the drab surroundings of the unemployment-hit Sheffield of 1982, it charts the lives of a group of women as they attempt to spice up their existences and earn extra, much-needed money by hosting parties selling exotic lingerie and what are euphemistically described as 'marital aids'.

One of the few members of the cast who remember the period in which the series is set is Penelope Wilton who, in 1982, was appearing in Major Barbara at London's National Theatre.

"Major Barbara was directed by Peter Gill and was a wonderful play by Shaw," says Wilton when asked for her memories of that era. "I was at the National for a long time.

"We didn't have social media but there were a lot of other things going on. No one was innocent after the war. I think it was a more informed time. I'm not entirely sure that more availability has made anyone any more informed – in fact, quite the contrary."

The Downton Abbey veteran plays Pauline, a housewife who loves her social-climbing husband Brian but is unfulfilled by her meek and mild role in life.

"She has been the stay-at-home wife without seemingly much going on in her life," explains Wilton. "She's quite a solitary person who seems to have a sadness about her. She meets other friends; they have coffee and attend the odd Rotary Club dinner or play Bridge. She feels there is nothing remarkable about her as a person. She has simply fitted in.

"Pauline lives this solitary life, but she comes to realise with the friends she has made through the parties that she has a support, which she is very grateful for."

Pauline would have loved to have been a mother, and her relationship with Dawn gives her an opportunity to create a sort of surrogate family, which is one of the delights of the programme.

"Her relationship with Dawn, who she meets in the hairdresser's, becomes very important," reveals the actress. "Dawn needs a temporary home so Pauline takes her in and finds she really enjoys having these younger people in the house.

"It doesn't go down very well with her husband Brian who is used to having things in order and an ordered lifestyle. Then this new situation disrupts his world. But, of course, it gives Pauline a role to play and she finds that very invigorating and satisfying."

In this week's episode, she will no doubt have to offer Dawn a shoulder to cry on and a few well-chosen comforting words as her lodger learns that Russell is beginning to get cold feet about their wedding.

Sophie Rundle stars in Brief Encounters, Monday, ITV, 9pm

BEST OF THE REST

Monday

Eden

Channel 4, 9pm

You may know the format by now: 23 men and women attempt to start a new society from scratch in the wilds of the Highlands. This second instalment follows the group as they attempt to organise their new world. Having moved into the camp, the participants must now get used to living with each other, which is easier for some than it is for others. With winter coming, Anton is spending more time building his cabin in the woods.

TUESDAY

The Living and the Dead

BBC1, 9pm

An engineer is spooked by a gruesome apparition on All Hallows Eve, and when he and his colleagues flee the scene, the railway company suspends all work. The village's residents pass the incident off as excessive nervousness on the part of city-folk unaccustomed to rural life, but when the hauntings start to take a lethal bent, even they concede there is 'something wrong' with their home. Blame turns to the Appleby's, whose return co-incided with the supernatural influx, and an increasingly unhinged Nathan earns the ire of not only his own wife, but also Harriet's father.

WEDNESDAY

The Three Day Nanny

Channel 4, 8pm

Kathryn Mewes is back, and in the first of a new series she heads for Northamptonshire where the Scott family are at their wits' end. Two-year-old Freddie and three-year-old Bobbie pinch, punch, kick or bite anyone they meet, and parents Chris and Becky are desperate to stop them. It's obvious that things are going to have to change for the sake of their family, and their loved ones as this is some of the most extreme behaviour Kathryn has seen. She needs to give the couple a wake-up call, and as the first of her three days helping the family begins, she wastes little time teaching a new approach to managing their boys' attitudes.

Long Lost Family

ITV, 9pm

Fifty-year-old Deborah Ozturk has spent years longing to find her birth mother and thank her for the sacrifice she made when she gave her up as a baby. Meanwhile, 74-year-old Ray Jones from West Sussex realised as an adult that there was a void in his life, after he was separated from his mother and younger brother at the age of two. However, during his search for his family the previous year, he accessed his case file and is now haunted by a missed opportunity. Presented by Davina McCall and Nicky Campbell.

THURSDAY

Celebrity Big Brother: Live Launch

Channel 5, 9pm

Celebrity Big Brother: Live Launch, Friday, Channel 5, 9pm

Just when you thought it was safe to turn Channel 5 back on, here comes yet another take on the BB format – this time featuring celebrities. Or does it? In recent years, viewers have been left scratching their heads by the identities of some of the 'famous faces' who've moved in. Hopefully, this time the majority of them will at least be familiar to the general public. As always, Emma Willis introduces each one as they enter, ready to have their every word and move recorded.

FRIDAY

Amazing Spaces Shed of the Year

Channel 4, 8pm

New series. From hundreds of entries received, just 32 have made it on to the judges' shortlist for 2016 – and only one will take the ultimate shed accolade. George Clarke begins his annual quest by turning his attentions to those sheds in the Unique and Historic categories. These include a shed that rotates 360 degrees to follow the sun and another that can hit the road. Also on display are a faithful replica of an Anglo Saxon longhouse and a Vietnam War bunker in Staffordshire.

Celebrity MasterChef

BBC1, 8.30pm

The remaining three competitors' penultimate challenge is the toughest and most daunting of the competition – the Chef's Table, hosted by Michelin star chef Atul Kochhar at Benares, where they must master new techniques and unfamiliar ingredients to impress some of the best chefs in the UK. Judging the food are Cyrus Todiwala, Alyn Williams, Sabrina Ghayour, Romy Gill and Ed Baines. Back at headquarters, the finalists are tasked to present a faultless three-course meal for John Torode and Gregg Wallace – their last chance to prove that they have what it takes to be crowned champion.

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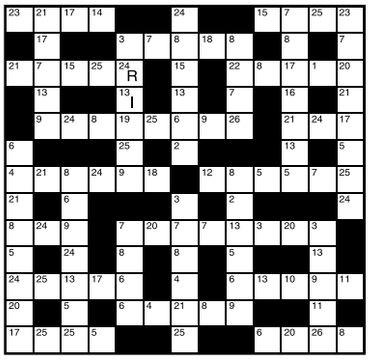
Codeword

Each number in the grid represents a different letter of the alphabet and every letter of the alphabet is used. Use the given letter(s) to the right of the main grid to start you off.



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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
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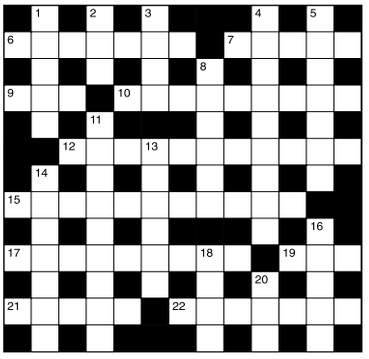
Double Crossword

Choose either quick or cryptic clues - both fit the same grid.



Cryptic Clues:

Across

6. Pretended to have a meal including mixed gin (7)
7. Open place where nations' delegates meet to drink? (5)
9. This farmyard feature will make an eyesore! (3)
10. Giving a service address (9)
12. To promote a greater number in addition (11)
15. See 3 Down.
17. What one may do to distort man's image? (9)
19. How many can be found in the department working? (3)
21. She changed her name from Alice (5)
22. Describing a belted dress not put to good use, we hear (7)

Down

1. See 16 Down.
2. I could be obsessed by this mania (3)
3 & 15 Ac. He is most likely to succeed (4-11)
4. Not settled about what to do next in chess? (2,3,4)
5. They forbid slogans carried by demonstrators (7)
8. Some money required for a gift (6)
11. Just the person to look after the sick girl (6)
13. Dealing successfully with a shrew (6)
14. Commendations to bring up in a postscript (7)
16 & 1 Dn. Confectionery or the dessert course before the lamb and pork etc. (10)
18. Clothing often changed by the driver (4)
20. Cleopatra's part will inevitably reveal it (3)

Quick Clues:

Across

6. Obtain (7)
7. Fumble (5)
9. Suitable (3)
10. Profitable (9)
12. Estimate (11)
15. Announcement (11)
17. Innumerable (9)
19. Assume (3)
21. Centre (5)
22. Skull (7)

Down

1. Pungent (5)
2. Flow (3)
3. Release (4)
4. Learning (9)
5. Promoter (7)
8. Knave (6)
11. Bravery (9)
13. Ring (6)
14. Get back (7)
16. Fashion (5)
18. Certain (4)
20. Conclude (3)

Sudoku

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Fill in the grid below so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS >

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LAST WEEK'S CROSSWORD SOLUTIONS:
CRYPTIC - Across: 7 Beyond the pale; 8 Full stop; 9 Road; 10 Sapper; 12 Aslope; 14 Ascend; 16 Despot; 18 Etui; 20 Looked on; 22 Insignificant. Down: 1 Refusals; 2 Roll up; 3 Adit; 4 Whip-hand; 5 Spiral; 6 Plea; 11 Redolent; 13 Propound; 15 Elicit; 17 Sketch; 19 Tone; 21 Oafs.
QUICK - Across: 7 Unpretentious; 8 Cardinal; 9 Tier; 10 Agreed; 12 Sprite; 14 Trowel; 16 Dreary; 18 Peri; 20 Velocity; 22 In short supply. Down: 1 Endanger; 2 Bridge; 3 Stun; 4 Enclosed; 5 Bitter; 6 Cure; 11 Delivery; 13 Throttle; 15 Weight; 17 Escape; 19 Erne; 21 Last.

Thinking space

Quiz

1. Which once widespread group of languages is divided into Brythonic and Goidelic groups?
2. Which band's first hit single was Seven Seas of Rhye?
3. Which king abdicated to marry Wallis Simpson?
4. Who wrote King Solomon's Mines in 1885?
5. Which gas was identified in the same year by both Priestley and Scheele?
6. On which Japanese city was the second atomic bomb dropped in 1945?
7. What is a leucocyte?
8. Which footballer received a fifteen-month worldwide ban after failing a drugs test at the 1994 World Cup?
9. Which bay separates Miami Beach from Miami?
10. Who won the 1995 US Masters at Augusta?

Last week's solutions:

Quiz: 1 Klaus Barbie; 2 Jakarta; 3 Quod erat demonstrandum; 4 Cuckooflower; 5 Telstar; 6 Peruvian; 7 Charles I; 8 Lead; 9 Kolkata; 10 Fibrositis.

Niner: PRACTISED

Niner

Each number from 1 to 9 represents a different letter. Solve the clues and insert the letters in the appropriate squares to discover a word which uses all nine letters.

1258 gives a servant,
23946 gives a middleman,
374124 gives a bandit.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

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Meat feast – the hot dog pizza has a generous amount of topping

Homely feel to the inside of Little Italy

Quirky – but actually there is a lot to like at charming Little Italy

WHEN I saw the flyer, pinned to the village notice board, announcing that a new Italian restaurant was opening in the village, I was beyond excited.

By Pete Cashmore

For sure, we at Tettenhall already have Steve Bull's Bravaccio's, and mighty fine it is too, but something about the name of Little Italy told me that it was altogether more rustic, more homely.

Well, I've eaten at Little Italy now about 10 times, and I have to say it's extraordinary. Now, before I go any further, let me elaborate. It's not extraordinarily GOOD, however good it is. It's extraordinary as in bizarre. Extraordinary as in surreal.

It's run, cheffed and occasionally waitered too by a swarthy (I pondered whether this might be a tad racist but it's the only word for it) balding gentleman who has come to greet me as a friend. He's friendly. He's busy. One thing I'm not sure he is, is actually Italian. I just can't place the accent. That said, I found out that his name is Gino, so he might actually be.

It's not important – what is, is that it's an entirely unique experience. To explain what I mean, here are some of the toppings you CAN'T get for the pizzas – chicken, bacon. pepperoni, but surely that is THE default topping for pizzas – but not here. What you can get is sliced hot dog, and chicken tikka.

Furthermore, if you order one of these pizzas, you may well not end up with what you actually ordered. The hot dog pizza, for example, lists hot dog sausage as its only topping, which I would say is to be expected. But if you don't specifically stipulate it, you'll end up with olives and onions as well, despite the fact that there are plenty of options on the menu where olives and onions are specifically stipulated in the toppings list. It's just baffling, and I for one love it!

Perfection

My favourite thing about Little Italy is that our chef doesn't seem to realise that, once you have blasted a 12 inch deep pan to fluffy perfection – and their deep pans are, make no mistake about it, nudging perfection – then the pan itself has a tendency to be, you know, pretty hot.

And yet our intrepid host, for some reason, insists on slicing the pizza on the pan and picking up the pan to empty it into the box. And every time he does it, you can see that he's scalding his fingers. God love him! But the point at which you realise that Little Italy is a bit special, is when you see the prices. Try these on for size.

Cans of soft drink (there is no alcohol served in Little Italy, although you can bring your own): 70p. Garlic bread: £1, £1.20 with a coating of mozzerella. Burger: £2.50. Tiramisu: £1.50.

Lasagne (and the lasagne at Little Italy is fabulous): £5.95. Throw in two meatballs: add another quid. Ice cream sundae composed of a selection of seven available flavours of high-quality Italian tackle: £3.

I know! You are, often literally, talking as cheap as chips – the most expensive item on the menu is steak, and that comes for the princely sum of £12.

Little Italy is not a fancy restaurant, it's rough and ready but it's in a charming location, tucked away at the end of a row of shops on the highest bit of Upper Green and you can eat outside if the feeling takes you.

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A beautiful and deceptively spacious four-bed cottage

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In more detail the porch leads to the through hallway with stairs off.

The lounge has two windows to the front, French doors to the conservatory and a feature fireplace with an inset log burner. The sitting/dining room has a feature inglenook fireplace with a gas fire.

Having an extensive range of wall, base and drawer units, the farmhouse kitchen has ample appliance space, an integrated oven, hob and extractor and ample space for a table and chairs.

The utility room has base units with working surfaces over, a Belfast sink, ample appliance space and a guest WC off. Upstairs the master bedroom has an open aspect to a dressing room with ample fitted wardrobes and an en-suite shower room with a shower cubicle, wash hand basin and contemporary tiling throughout.

Bedroom two has built-in wardrobes and there are two further bedrooms and a WC and a generous bathroom. The bathroom includes a panelled bath, low level WC, pedestal sink and contemporary tiling throughout and an open aspect to a shower room, again with contemporary tiling and a walk-in shower.

Outside is a double garage with a generous loft space with a 'Port Hole' stained glass window, power and lighting.

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KEY FEATURES

- Hamlet position
- Deceptively spacious
- Generous gardens
- 4 bedrooms
- Extended

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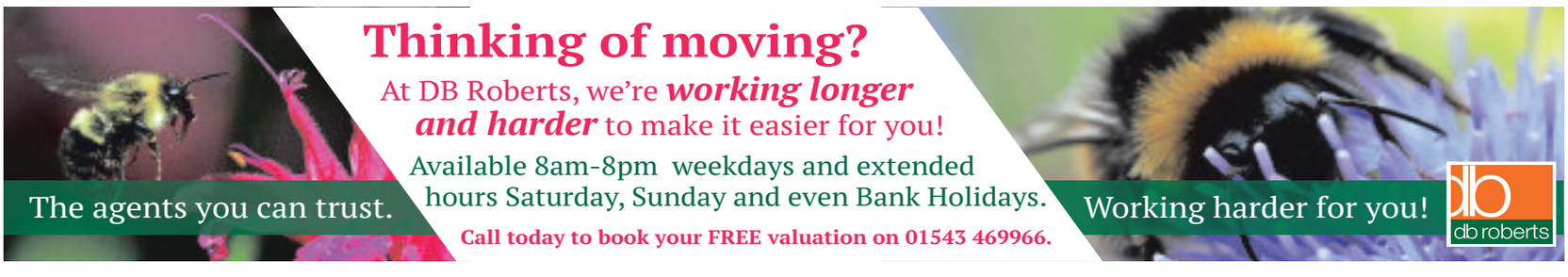

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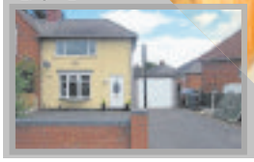

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Windrush Close Pelsall

New!

- Three Storey End Terrace
- Fitted Kitchen & Lounge Diner
- Three DOUBLE Bedrooms
- Bathroom & Ensuite Shower Room
- Garage and Driveway
- EPC = C

Offers Around £164,950

Coniston Way Cannock

£254,995

- Detached Bungalow
- Three Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Dining Room & Lounge
- Bathroom
- Garage
- EPC = D

Station Road Hednesford

New!

£125,000

- Two Bedroom Semi Detached
- NO UPWARD CHAIN
- Kitchen and Lounge Diner
- Bathroom with Separate Shower
- Superb Rear Garden
- EPC = E

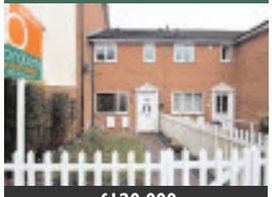
Bank Street Heath Hayes

New!

- Semi Detached House
- No Chain & Sought After Location
- Two Bedrooms and Nursery/Study Room
- Lounge Diner
- Attached Garage
- EPC = E

Offers Around £149,995

Heath Way Heath Hayes



£120,000

- Mid Terraced House
- Two Bedrooms
- Well Presented Throughout
- Refitted Kitchen/Diner
- Driveway To Rear
- EPC = C

Grouse Way Heath Hayes

New Price

- Modern Mews Style House
- Three DOUBLE Bedrooms & Ensuite
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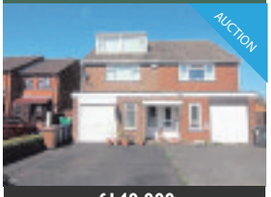

£140,000

- Auction T&C's Apply
- Three Bed Semi Detached
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- Two Bedrooms
- Off Road Parking
- EPC = D

Red Lion Lane Norton Canes

New Price

- Semi Detached House
- Three Bedrooms
- Downstairs Bathroom
- Lounge & Breakfast Kitchen
- Sought After Location
- EPC = D

Offers Around £145,000

Matlock Drive Hednesford

£125,000

- Three Bed Semi Detached Home
- Lounge & Breakfast Kitchen
- Guest WC & Upstairs Bathroom
- Rear Garage & Driveway
- No Chain
- EPC = D

Beddows Road Walsall

£129,950

- Two Bed Mid Terraced House
- NEW BUILD - NO CHAIN
- Lounge/Dining Room
- Bathroom
- Double Glazed
- EPC = TBC

Primrose Meadow Heath Hayes

£130,000

- Two Bedroom Semi Detached
- Spacious Lounge/Diner
- Modern Fitted Kitchen
- Enclosed Rear Garden
- Parking to front
- EPC = D

Claygate Road Wimblebury

£137,500

- Three Bedroom Property
- Fitted Kitchen
- Open Plan Living Room
- Enclosed Rear Garden
- Garage Set To The Rear
- EPC = C

Strathmore Place Cannock

£270,000

- Cul-de-Sac Location
- Three Bed Detached House
- Two Reception Rooms
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Garage & Off Road Parking
- EPC = E

Two Oaks Avenue Burntwood

£315,000

- Four Bedroom Detached House
- Two Reception Rooms & Study
- Breakfast Kitchen & Utility Room
- Double Garage
- Refitted Ensuite Shower Room
- EPC = D

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Penkridge

New

Chestnut Grove

This superb executive detached family home is located on a quiet cul-de-sac in the desirable village of Penkridge. In brief the well presented accommodation consists of a reception hallway, guest WC, lounge, dining room, conservatory, sitting room, study, stunning kitchen, galleried landing, master bedroom with en-suite, four further bedrooms, family bathroom space, rear garden, driveway and a double detached garage.

£515,000 EPC=TBA

Cannock

New

Girton Road

- Extended Semi Detached
- Three Reception Rooms
- Kitchen & Laundry Room
- Four Bedrooms

£190,000 EPC=TBA

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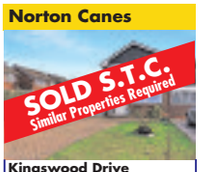
Myrtle Glade

•Modern Detached House•Four Bedrooms, En-Suite •Lounge, Guest WC•Stunning Kitchen/Diner

£240,000 EPC=B

Norton Canes



Kingswood Drive

•Linked Detached House•Spacious Lounge/Diner •Conservatory•Three Bedrooms

£167,500 EPC=D

Wedges Mills

New

Wolverhampton Road

As the name suggests the Old Post Office served the local community for many years before been converted and extended into a truly individual large family home. The accommodation provides many features including a large lounge with Inglenook fireplace a beautiful cottage style kitchen/dining room and four versatile bedrooms. Viewing this property is highly recommended to fully appreciate the space that this property provides.

£375,000 EPC=TBA

Hednesford

No Chain

Hill Top

- Executive Detached House
- New Build
- Living Room
- Open Plan Kitchen/Diner

POA EPC=TBA

Cannock

New

Moreton Street

- Semi Detached Bungalow
- Two Bedrooms
- Kitchen & Utility
- Wet Room

£139,995 EPC=D

Cannock

New

Laburnum Avenue

- Semi Detached House
- Spacious Lounge
- Conservatory
- Kitchen & Guest WC

£134,995 EPC=TBA

Hednesford

No Chain

Hill Top

- Executive Detached House
- New Build
- Living Room
- Kitchen & Laundry

POA EPC=TBA

Cannock

New

Elizabeth Road

- Modern Semi Detached
- Lounge/Diner
- Modern Kitchen
- Guest Cloakroom

£133,500 EPC=B

Hednesford

Wenlock View

•New Build•Detached Family House •Spacious Lounge•Dining Kitchen

£270,000 EPC=B

Cannock

Denbury Close

•Extended Semi Detached•Lounge & Kitchen •Dining Room / Playroom•Utility & Guest WC

£165,000 EPC=E

Cannock

Cedar Hill Drive

•Extended Semi Detached•Three Bedrooms •Lounge & Kitchen/Diner•Utility & Study

£155,000 EPC=D

Great Wyrley

New

Walsall Road

•Terraced House•Popular Location •Three Bedrooms•Two Receptions

£130,000 EPC=TBA

Cannock

New

St Johns Road

- Traditional Semi
- Lounge & Dining Room
- Kitchen & Bathroom
- Three Bedrooms

£115,000 EPC=TBA

Pelsall

New

Windrush Close

•End Town House•Lounge & Kitchen •Guest WC & Bathroom•Three Bedrooms

£164,950 EPC=C

Cannock

New

Huntington Terrace Road

•Semi Detached Bungalow•Lounge •Kitchen•Two Bedrooms

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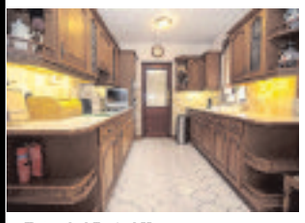


- Extended Period Home
- Through Hallway
- Lounge, Sitting Room
- Kitchen, Dining Room
- 4 Bedrooms, Bathroom
- Shower-room
- Gardens
- Integral Garage, Driveway
- Internal Viewing Essential

£299,950

NEW

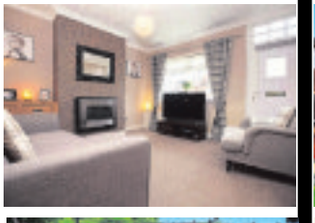
HEDNESFORD
BLAKE CLOSE

- Immaculate Semi
- Refitted Kitchen
- Lounge
- 3 Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Drive, Rear Garden
- Viewing Essential

£140,000

NEW

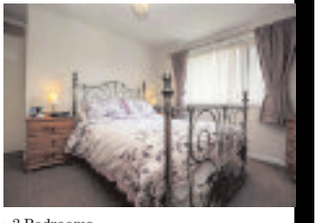
CANNOCK
CANNOCK ROAD



- Traditional Terrace
- Lounge
- Dining Room
- Kitchen, Utility Room
- 2 Bedroom, Bathroom
- Gardens, driveway
- Vieiwng recommended

£110,000

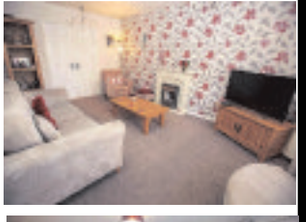
CANNOCK
CLEVELAND DRIVE



- Semi Detached
- Lounge/diner,
- Guest WC
- Breakfast Kitchen
- 3 Bedrooms
- Refitted Bathroom
- Garage
- Gardens

£125,000

HEATH HAYES
VIVALDI DRIVE



- Detached Family Home
- Through Hallway
- Lounge, Dining Room
- Conservatory
- Kitchen/diner, WC
- 4 Bedrooms, Bathroom
- En-suite
- Garage, Garden

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NEW

WIMBLEBURY
FREMANTLE DRIVE

- Detached House
- Through Hallway
- Stunning Kitchen
- Lounge
- Three Bedrooms
- En-Suite, Bathroom
- Rear Garden
- Integral Garage

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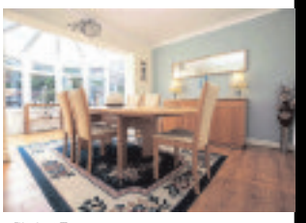
NELSON DRIVE



- Outstanding Detached
- Viewing Essential
- Through Hallway
- Formal Lounge
- Dining Room, WC
- Sitting Room
- Dining Kitchen
- Utility, 4 Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom

£340,000

NEW

HEATH HAYES
PETERBOROUGH DRIVE

- Det. Family Home
- Popular Location
- Hallway, Lounge
- Dining Kitchen
- Guests WC
- Utility, En-suite
- 3 Bedrooms
- NO CHAIN

£209,950

NEW

HEDNESFORD
HEATHER ROAD

- Semi Det. Bungalow
- Entrance Hall
- Lounge, Kitchen
- Double Bedroom
- Wet Room
- GCH
- Rear Garden
- NO CHAIN

£99,950

NEW

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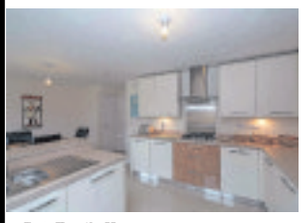
ELLIOTT DRIVE



- Det. Family Home
- Through Hallway
- Guest WC, Lounge
- Kitchen/Diner, 3 Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom
- En-Suite
- Driveway, Garage
- Gardens

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NEW

CANNOCK
CANNOCK ROAD

- Fully Refurbished
- NO CHAIN
- Lounge
- Dining Room
- Refitted Kitchen
- 2 Double Bedrooms
- Refitted Bathroom
- Parking

£119,950

HEATH HAYES
ACORN CLOSE

- Town House
- Hallway
- Lounge/diner
- Breakfast Kitchen
- 2 Bedrooms
- Refitted Bathroom
- Allocated Parking
- Viewing

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HEDNESFORD
LITTLEWORTH ROAD

- Detached Bungalow
- Hallway
- Lounge
- Kitchen/Diner
- Three Bedrooms
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- Bathroom
- Field views

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Kitchen
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Bathroom
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Parking
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Kitchen
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Bathroom
GCH & DG
Parking
Garden
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Lounge
Kitchen
2 Bedrooms
Bathroom
Gas Central
Heating
Double Glazing
Rear Garden
Parking
EPC Rating C

£525 pcm & FEES - NO DSS

CANNOCK
BEECH TREE COURT

Unfurnished
Ground Floor Flat
Lounge
Kitchen
2 Bedrooms
Bathroom
GCH & DG
Protected Access
Parking
EPC Rating C

£525 pcm & FEES - NO DSS

CANNOCK
VICTORIA STREET

Unfurnished
Semi Detached
House
Lounge
Kitchen
2 Bedrooms
Bathroom
GCH & DG
Parking
Garden
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Bathroom
Heating
Double Glazing
Parking
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KENILWORTH COURT

Unfurnished
Second Floor Flat
Lounge
Kitchen
1 Bedroom
Bathroom
Heating
Double Glazing
Parking
EPC Rating D

£395 pcm & FEES - NO DSS

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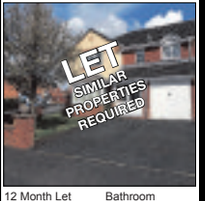

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Garden
Parking
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Unfurnished
Town House
Lounge
Kitchen
3 Bedrooms
Bathroom
GCH & DG
Rear Garden
Parking
EPC Rating C

£750 pcm & FEES - NO DSS

HEDNESFORD
SHARON WAY

Unfurnished
Semi Detached
House
Lounge
Kitchen Diner
3 Bedrooms
Bathroom
GCH & DG
Rear Garden
Parking
Awaiting EPC

£650 pcm & FEES - NO DSS

HEDNESFORD
BROMLEY CLOSE

Unfurnished
Semi Detached
House
Lounge
Kitchen
2 Bedrooms
Bathroom
GCH & DG
Rear Garden
Parking
EPC Rating C

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- Refitted bathroom
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- Ideal first time buy
- EPC rating E

£124,950

HEDNESFORD
WHITETHORNE CLOSE
NEW

- A three bedroom semi detched house
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- Lounge/diner, kitchen
- Conservatory, guest cloakroom
- Garage room (currently used as bedroom)
- Bathroom
- Enclosed rear garden
- Driveway
- Awaiting EPC Rating

£169,950

HEDNESFORD
GEORGE STREET
NEW

- A three bedroom semi detached house
- Gas central heating and double glazing
- Lounge/diner
- Kitchen, Sitting room
- Three bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Good size rear garden
- Driveway
- EPC Rating D

£155,000

SHOAL HILL
ROWAN ROAD
NEW

- A three bedroom semi detached house
- Gas central heating and double glazing
- Lounge and dining area
- Conservatory, kitchen.
- Kitchen
- Refitted shower room
- Garden to rear
- Garage and driveway
- Awaiting EPC rating

£169,950

HEDNESFORD
HILL STREET
NEW

- A three bedroom detached bungalow
- Gas central heating and double glazing
- Lounge, Kitchen
- Conservatory
- Three good sized bedrooms
- Enclosed rear garden
- Driveway
- EPC Rating E

£149,950

HEDNESFORD
SHARON WAY
NEW

- A much improved three bedroom property
- Gas central heating and double glazing
- Lounge, kitchen/diner
- Conservatory, guest cloakroom
- Master bedroom with built in wardrobes
- Refitted family bathroom
- Enclosed rear garden
- Driveway and garage
- EPC rating E

£184,950

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PADDOCK LANE
NEW PRICE

- A spacious two bedroom property
- Gas central heating and double glazing
- Lounge and dining area
- Extended kitchen
- Cnservatory/Utility
- Two double bedrooms
- Bathroom and separate shower
- Ideal first time buy
- Awaiting EPC Rating

£115,000

CANNOCK
HUNTINGTON TERRACE ROAD
NEW PRICE

- A traditional two bedroom house
- Gas central heating and double glazing
- Lounge, dining room
- Kitchen, bathroom
- Two bedrooms
- Garden to rear
- Off road Parking
- Awaiting EPC Rating

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CHETWYND, COLEY LANE, LITTLE HAYWOOD

CONSIDERABLY IMPROVED WELL EQUIPPED INDIVIDUALLY DESIGNED DETACHED FAMILY RESIDENCE OFFERING FOUR DOUBLE BEDROOMS OCCUPYING WELL STOCKED PRIVATE GARDENS Located On The Edge of This Popular Staffordshire Village

- ◆ Central reception hall
- ◆ L shaped lounge/ dining area
- ◆ Refitted breakfast kitchen
- ◆ Study
- ◆ Four double bedrooms
- ◆ Refitted shower room with two bathrooms
- ◆ Detached double width garage, workshop and store over
- ◆ Predominantly double glazed
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ EPC rating E (52)

£500,000 FREEHOLD

OLD MANOR FARM, 68 NORTON LANE, GREAT WYRLEY

CONSIDERABLY IMPROVED EXTENDED AND WELL EQUIPPED CHARACTERFUL 4/5 BEROOMED DETACHED COTTAGELocated In A Popular Residential Area Of The Village With Well Stocked South Facing Gardens Extending To Approximately 1/3 Of an Acre

- ◆ 3 reception rooms
- ◆ Sitting room/ bedroom 5
- ◆ cloakroom with WC
- ◆ Conservatory
- ◆ Refitted kitchen and breakfast room
- ◆ Four bedrooms
- ◆ En-suite shower room and family bathroom
- ◆ Off road parking
- ◆ Gas centrally heated and predominantly double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating E (49)

£429,950 FREEHOLD

CHERRYCROFT, NEW ROAD, PENKRIDGE

CONSIDERABLY IMPROVED INDIVIDUAL ARCHITECT DESIGNED DETACHED BUNGALOW OFFERING WELL EQUIPPED THREE BEDROOMED ACCOMMODATION Conveniently Located For Facilties In This Popular South Staffordshire Market Village of Penkridge

- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Study
- ◆ Dining room
- ◆ Breakfast kitchen
- ◆ Utility room
- ◆ Three bedrooms
- ◆ Refitted bathroom and ensuite
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating D (63)

£315,000 FREEHOLD

THE BARN, MORETON GRANGE, BISHTON LANE, WOLSELEY BRIDGE, STAFFORD

COMPREHENSIVELY RENOVATED WELL EQUIPPED DETACHED FIVE BEDROOMED BARN CONVERSION Occupying Private Well Stocked Gardens With Stables and Paddock Extending To Approximately 1 Acre

- ◆ Lounge and dining room
- ◆ Study/sitting area
- ◆ Farmhouse dining kitchen
- ◆ Five bedrooms
- ◆ Two en-suites and family bathroom
- ◆ Detached double width garage
- ◆ Well stocked gardens and paddock
- ◆ Oil fired central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating E (50)

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- ❖Gas Fired Central Heating
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4 HONEYSUCKLE WAY, GREAT WYRLEY

IMPROVED WELL EQUIPPED FOUR BEDROOM DETACHED FAMILY HOUSE OCCUPYING CORNER PLOT POSITION IN THIS POPULAR CUL-DE-SAC IN THIS MUCH SOUGHT AFTER SOUTH STAFFORDSHIRE VILLAGE

- ❖Canopy Porch
- ❖Reception Hall
- ❖Cloakroom with WC
- ❖Lounge
- ❖Sitting Room
- ❖Refitted Breakfast Kitchen
- ❖Utility Room
- ❖Store Room
- ❖Landing
- Four Bedrooms❖
- Refitted En-Suite Shower Room❖
- Family Bathroom❖
- Extensive Off Road Parking❖
- Well Laid Out Corner Plot Gardens❖
- Gas Fired Central Heating❖
- Fully Double Glazed❖
- Surround Sound System & Intruder Alarm❖
- EPC Rating C (72)❖

❖Inspection Highly Recommended❖

PRICE £289,950 : FREEHOLD

FLAT 27 THE HEATH, CANNOCK ROAD, HEATH HAYES

GROUND FLOOR TWO BEDROOMED APARTMENT Located In Popular Development Convenient For Facilities At Heath Hayes Centre

- ◆ Reception Hall
- ◆ Lounge with fitted kitchen area
- ◆ Two bedrooms
- ◆ Bathroom
- ◆ Communal grounds
- ◆ Allocated parking area
- ◆ Electric heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Security phone system
- ◆ EPC rating tbc

£116.950

1 HOLLYOAK WAY, CANNOCK

WELL EQUIPPED GROUND FLOOR APARTMENT CONSTRUCTED IN 2002 Located In Much Sought After Cul-De-Sac Conveniently Located For Facilities at The Town Centre

- ◆ Communal hall with security phone system
- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Fitted breakfast kitchen
- ◆ Two bedrooms
- ◆ Bathroom
- ◆ Off road parking
- ◆ Communal grounds
- ◆ Electric heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating E (49)

£124,950

40 OLD PENKRIDGE ROAD, CANNOCK

CONSIDERABLY EXTENDED AND IMPROVED DETACHED FAMILY HOUSE WITH FLEXIBLE ACCOMMODATION INCLUDING SELF CONTAINED FLAT SUITABLE FOR EXTENDED FAMILY OCCUPYING MATURE WELL STOCKED GARDENS EXTENDING TO 0.4 OF AN ACRE LOCATED IN MUCH SOUGHT AFTER RESIDENTIAL AREA OF THE TOWN ADJOINING CANNOCK PARK TO THE REAR

- ❖Canopy Porch
- ❖Reception Hall
- ❖Lounge
- ❖Dining Room
- ❖Breakfast Kitchen
- ❖Inner Hall
- ❖Utility Room
- ❖Cloakroom with WC
- ❖Play/Hobby/Games Room❖
- ❖Central Landing❖
- ❖Five Bedrooms❖
- ❖Ensuite Bathroom❖
- ❖Ensuite Shower Room❖
- ❖Family Bathroom❖
- ❖Integral Double Width Garage❖
- ❖Extensive Mature Landscaped Gardens❖
- ❖Inspection Essential❖
- Self Contained Flat Incorporating❖
- Landing❖
- Lounge/Kitchen Area❖
- Bedroom❖
- Shower Room❖
- Gas Fired Central Heating❖
- Fully Double Glazed❖
- Intruder Alarm❖

PRICE £630,000 : FREEHOLD

47 SANDY LANE, CANNOCK

IMPROVED WELL EQUIPPED FOUR BEDROOMED DETACHED HOUSELocated In Much Sought After Residential AreaClose To The Shoal Hill Didstrict Of Cannock Chase AndOverlooking Greenbelt Farmland To The Front

- ◆ Lounge/dining area
- ◆ Double glazed conservatory
- ◆ Kitchen
- ◆ Lobby and shower room with WC
- ◆ Four bedrooms
- ◆ Refitted bathroom
- ◆ Integral garage (limited length)
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating E (47)

£249,950 FREEHOLD

86 EDWARD STREET, BROOMHILL, CANNOCK

IMPROVED TWO BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE Occupying Larger Garden In Popular Position Convenient For Facilities at Cannock and Hednesford Centres

- ◆ Two reception rooms
- ◆ Kitchen
- ◆ Double glazed conservatory/ utility
- ◆ Two double bedrooms
- ◆ Bathroom
- ◆ Built-on garage
- ◆ Larger gardens
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating C (69)

£145,000 FREEHOLD

11A QUEEN STREET, HIGHTOWN, HEDNESFORD

WELL EQUIPPED FOUR BEDROOMED DETACHED FAMILY HOUSELocated In Very Convenient Popular Position Close To Facilities and Railway Station at Hednesford Town Centre

- ◆ Reception hall and cloakroom with WC
- ◆ Double glazed conservatory
- ◆ Refitted breakfast kitchen and utility room
- ◆ Four bedrooms
- ◆ Ensuite shower room and refitted bathroom
- ◆ Lounge and dining room
- ◆ Integral garage and well stocked gardens
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ EPC rating D (68)

£249,950 FREEHOLD

4 MIDDLE HILL BARNS, WOLVERHAMPTON ROAD SHARESHILL

WELL APPOINTED DETACHED BARN CONVERSION OFFERING EXCELENNT FLEXIBLE FOUR BEDROOMED ACCOMMODATION LOCATED IN RURAL POSITION IN GREENBELT FARMLAND WITHIN EASY REACH OF FACILITIES AT CANNOCK CENTRE

- ❖Entrance Lobby
- ❖Cloakroom with WC
- ❖Impressive Lounge
- ❖Dining Room
- ❖Fitted Breakfast Kitchen
- ❖Inner Hall
- ❖Bedroom One
- ❖Ensuite Shower Room
- ❖Bedroom Four/Dressing Room
- Luxury Bathroom❖
- Utility Room❖
- Landing❖
- Two First Floor Bedrooms❖
- En-Suite Toilet Facilities❖
- Extensive Off Road Parking❖
- LPG Gas Fired Central Heating❖
- Fully Double Glazed❖
- Intruder Alarm and CCTV❖

❖Well Stocked South West Facing Rear Gardens❖
❖Inspection Highly Recommended❖
❖EPC Rating D (62)❖

PRICE £439,950 : FREEHOLD

FLAT 4 TEDDESLEY HOUSE, CLAY STREET, PENKRIDGE

WELL EQUIPPED FIRST FLOOR TWO BEDROOMED APARTMENT Conveniently Located For Facilities Of The Centre Of The Popular Market Village Of Penkridge

- ◆ Communal hall, stairs and landing
- ◆ Reception hall
- ◆ Lounge
- ◆ Fitted kitchen
- ◆ Two bedrooms
- ◆ Bathroom and en-suite shower room
- ◆ Allocated parking space
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating C (80)

£154,950

122 CANNOCK ROAD, BLACKFORDS.

CONSIDERABLY IMPROVED AND RENOVATED END MEWS HOUSE OFFERING SPACIOUS THREE BEDROOMED ACCOMMODATION Located In Convenient Position For Access To Facilities at Cannock and Hednesford Centres

- ◆ Entrance lobby and hall
- ◆ Lounge and dining area
- ◆ Refitted breakfast kitchen
- ◆ Refitted bathroom
- ◆ Landing
- ◆ Three bedrooms
- ◆ Off road parking space and gardens
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Predominantly double glazed
- ◆ EPC rating D (65)

£149,950 FREEHOLD

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EXTENDED FOUR BEDROOMED DETACHED BUNGALOW WITH ORNAMENTAL GARDENS AND GARDEN CENTRE EXTENDING TO 1.33 ACRES OR THEREABOUTS (0.599 ACRES OR THEREABOUTS WITHOUT GARDEN CENTRE)

Living Accommodation

- ❖Central Reception Hall
- ❖Inner Hall
- ❖Lounge/Dining Area
- ❖Fitted Breakfast Kitchen
- ❖Three Double Bedrooms (Ground Floor)
- ❖Two En-Suite Shower Rooms
- ❖Family Bathroom
- ❖Games/Family/Snooker Room
- Landing❖
- Bedroom Four (First Floor)❖
- Built-On Double Width Garage❖
- Ornamental Gardens❖
- In And Out Drive❖
- Gas (LPG) Central Heating❖
- Fully Double Glazed❖
- Intruder Alarm❖

Garden Centre

- ❖Established Business
- ❖Modern Greenhouse/Retail Area
- Densely Populated Residential Area❖
- Ample Parking/Hardstanding/Open Storage❖

PRICE £795,000 : FREEHOLD (PLUS STOCK AT VALUATION) Or £585,000 EXCLUDING THE GARDEN CENTRE

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2 THE CROSSINGS, MILL STREET, CANNOCK

NEWLY CONSTRUCTED TWO BEDROOM MID MEWS HOUSE Excellently Located For Train Station And Facilities At The Town Centre

- Cloakroom with WC
- Lounge
- Fitted kitchen with white goods
- Two double bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Parking to rear
- Gas central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- EPC rating: B (83)

£660 pcm

FLAT 9 DRAKEFORD COURT, WOLVERHAMPTON ROAD, STAFFORD

WELL APPOINTED ONE BEDROOM FIRST FLOOR APARTMENT Located In Prominent Position Convenient For Stafford City Centre

- Communal lounge
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Bedroom
- Bathroom
- Electric heating
- Double glazed
- Allocated parking
- For persons aged 55 and over
- EPC rating: B (82)

£550 pcm

23 LOVE LANE PARK HOMES, LOVE LANE, RUGELEY

SPACIOUS ONE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED BUNGALOW Convenient For Facilities Locally

- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Double bedroom
- Bathroom
- Fully double glazed & LPG central heating
- Parking Space
- Gardens
- Sorry no pets, DSS or smokers
- For persons aged 50 and over
- EPC rating: E (43)

£450 pcm

197A CANNOCK ROAD, CHADSMOOR

REFURBISHED TWO BEDROOM FIRST FLOOR FLAT

- Entrance lobby
- Hall
- Lounge/kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Refitted shower room
- Double glazed
- Electric heating
- Off road parking
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- EPC rating: E (45)

£440 pcm

18 LOVE LANE, RUGELEY

SPACIOUS WELL EQUIPPED ONE BEDROOM PARK HOME Located On A Well Maintained Site Convenient For Local Facilities

- Kitchen
- Lounge
- Bedroom
- Bathroom
- Fully double glazed
- LPG central heating
- Timber decked terrace & garden
- Allocated parking
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- No persons under the age of 50

£450 pcm

9 HATHERTON ROAD, CANNOCK

ATTRACTIVE THREE BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE Located In Sought After Residential Area Convenient For Facilities At The Town Centre

- Side entrance lobby
- Lounge
- Dining room
- Refitted kitchen
- Refitted bathroom
- Brick built garden store/possible office
- Refitted bathroom
- Three bedrooms
- Gas central heating
- Off road parking (no dropped kerb)
- EPC rating: E (43)

£650 pcm

20 PRINCESS STREET, CHADSMOOR

THREE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSE

- Lounge/dining room
- Dining kitchen
- Shower room
- Three bedrooms
- Fully double glazed
- Gas central heating
- Gardens
- DSS considered
- Sorry no pets or smokers
- EPC rating: E (47)

£525 pcm

FLAT 4 JACKSON CLOSE, NORTON CANES

SPACIOUS TWO BEDROOM FIRST FLOOR FLAT

- Entrance hall
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Refitted bathroom
- Gas central heating
- Double glazed
- Off road parking
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- EPC rating: D (55)

£450 pcm

11 BEECH TREE COURT, BEECH TREE LANE, CANNOCK

TWO BEDROOM SECOND FLOOR FLAT Conveniently Located For Local Facilities

- Reception hall
- Open plan lounge/kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Double glazing
- Gas central heating
- Allocated parking
- Secure entry system
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- EPC rating: C (79)

£495 pcm

37 KINGSLAND CLOSE, STONE

TWO BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSE Located In Popular Residential Area With Views Over Open Farm Land To Rear

- Entrance lobby
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Fully double glazed
- Gas central heating
- Garage
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- EPC rating: D (68)

£650 pcm

8 WINDSOR ROAD, CHESLYN HAY

NEWLY REFURBISHED THREE BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE Located In Popular Residential Area

- L-shaped lounge/ dining room
- Refitted kitchen
- Study/play room
- Three bedrooms
- Refitted bathroom
- Fully double glazed
- Gas central heating
- Off road parking
- Sorry no DSS, pets or smokers
- EPC rating: C (69)

£660 pcm

200D BLOXWICH ROAD, WALSALL

SPACIOUS TWO BEDROOMED GROUND FLOOR FLAT Within Easy Access Of Walsall Town Centre

- Reception hall
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Gas central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Off road parking
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- EPC rating: C (71)

£500 pcm

4 RICKYARD PLACE, TEDDESLEY PARK ESTATE, PENKRIDGE

TWO BEDROOM BARN CONVERSION Located On The Picturesque Country Estate Of Teddesley Park

- Open plan lounge/ kitchen
- Landing
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Fully double glazed
- Oil fired central heating
- Enclosed fore garden
- Communal grounds & parking
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- EPC rating: B (82)

£595 pcm (plus service charge)

40A OLD PENKRIDGE ROAD, CANNOCK

WELL EQUIPPED SELF CONTAINED ONE BEDROOM APARTMENT Located In Much Sought After Residential Area With Views Of Cannock Park To Rear

- Entrance hall
- Landing
- Open plan lounge/kitchen
- Double bedroom
- Shower room
- Fully double glazed
- Gas central heating
- One car parking space
- Sorry no DSS, pets or smokers
- EPC rating: C (76)

£450 pcm

199A CANNOCK ROAD, CHADSMOOR

REFURBISHED TWO BEDROOM FIRST FLOOR FLAT

- Entrance Lobby
- Hall
- Lounge/kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Refitted shower room
- Double glazed
- Electric heating
- Off road parking
- Sorry no pets, smokers or DSS
- EPC rating: E (40)

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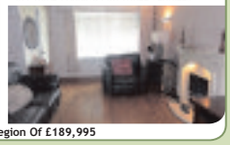

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£280,000

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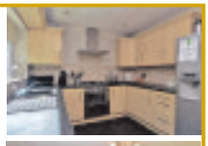
£235,000



NEW

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£229,995

NEW

ELIZABETHAN WAY, RUGELEY

A five bed family home. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. Entrance Hall, Guest Cloakroom, Lounge, Dining Room, Conservatory, Breakfast Kitchen and Utility Room. First Floor Landing, Master Bedroom with En-Suite, Bedroom with En-Suite, Three Additional Bedrooms and Family Bathroom. Single Garage and Off Road Parking. Gardens to Front and Rear. EPC - C.

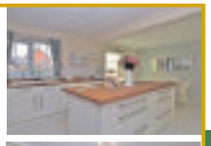
£259,950

NEW NO CHAIN

TALBOT STREET RUGELEY

A unique three bedroom mid terraced townhouse having traditional features with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Having Gas Central Heating and Open Fire Place. Entrance Hall, Two Reception Rooms, Office/Boot Room and W.C., Kitchen, Pantry/Utility and Snug . Master Bedroom and two further bedrooms and Family Bedroom. Garden with Brick Built Outhouse and Coach House with Studio. EPC - E

£265,000



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A immaculately presented four bedroom detached family home. Gas Central Heating and UPVC Double Glazing. Entrance Hall, Guest Cloakroom, Lounge, Kitchen/Diner and Conservatory. First Floor Landing, Master Bedroom with En-suite, Three additional Bedrooms and Family Bathroom. Garage with Driveway. Gardens to Front and Rear. Viewing . EPC RATING - B

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NEW

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£175,000

NEW NO CHAIN

WOLSELEY ROAD RUGELEY

A second floor apartment within walking distance to the town centre and local amenities. NO UPWARD CHAIN. Double Glazing and Electric Heating. Accommodation Communal Entrance Hall, Second Floor Landing, Entrance Hall, Open plan Lounge/Kitchen, Two Bedrooms, En-suite Shower Room plus Bathroom. UPVC double-glazed. Electric Heating. Allocated Parking Space. EPC RATING - C

£126,000

NEW NO CHAIN

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NEW

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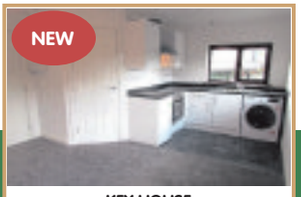
Studio Apartment comprising of open plan living space with fully fitted Kitchen and appliances. Lounge/Bedroom area with spacious Shower Room. Communal entrance with coded security system. SINGLE OCCUPANCY ONLY. VIEWING HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.NO DSS. NO SMOKERS. NO PETS. EPC Rating TBC
DEPOSIT £530

£385 pcm



KEY HOUSE
RUGELEY

Refurbished Studio Apartment in town centre location comprising open plan living space with fully fitted Kitchen and appliances. Lounge/Bedroom area with spacious Shower Room. Communal entrance with Coded Security system. VIEWING HIGHLY RECOMMENDED. NO DSS. NO SMOKERS. NO PETS. EPC Rating TBC
DEPOSIT £575

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DEPOSIT £748

£540 pcm

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RUGELEY

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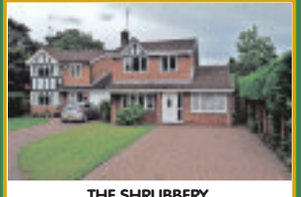
£205,000



THE SHRUBBERY
BRERETON

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£215,995

WOLSELEY ROAD
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Detached property. Entrance Hall, Lounge, Family Room/ Dining Room, Breakfast Kitchen with some appliances, Utility Room, Guest WC. Three Double Bedrooms and Bathroom. Gardens to front and rear. Off road parking available for 2 cars. VIEWING RECOMMENDED. NO DSS. NO PETS. NO SMOKERS. EPC Rating E
DEPOSIT £1108

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Executive Five Bedroom Detached Family Home / Set Over Three Floors / Two En-Suites Plus Family Bathroom And Guest WC / Good Sized Private Rear Garden / Garage & Driveway

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Strathmore Place
CANNOCK

Three bedroom detached bungalow / Set back from road / Quiet & sought after cul-de-sac location / Finished to good standard / Modern fitted kitchen / Integral garage / Driveway with ample parking

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South Close
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Eden Close
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Three bedroom detached house / Motivated seller / Large driveway providing parking for up to five vehicles / Spacious living and sleeping accommodation

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Raven Close
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CANNOCK

Three/four bedroom semi detached house / NO ONWARD CHAIN / Spacious open plan lounge-diner / kitchen/diner / Private rear garden

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CANNOCK

Immaculately presented three bedroom semi detached house / Situated down quiet cul-de-sac / Spacious lounge / Modern bathroom / Private rear garden / Driveway providing off road parking

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CANNOCK

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HUNTINGTON

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Extended three bedroom semi-detached house / Spacious living and Sleeping accommodation / Victorian conservatory / Views of Hednesford Hills to the rear

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Rawnsley Road
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Traditional mid terraced house / Superb semi rural location / Picturesque views of Cannock Chase / Four good sized bedrooms / Useful cellar

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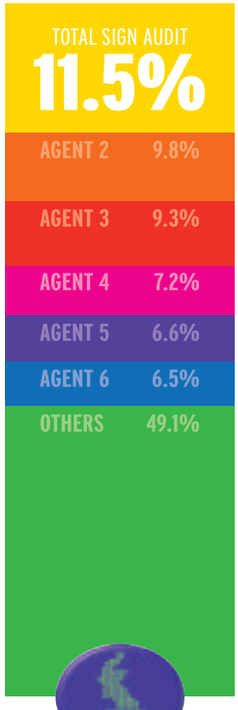

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£70,000

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Belt Road, Hednesford **£80,000**

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Cannock

Glencoe Drive, Cannock **£110,000**

"DECEPTIVELY SPACIOUS THIS TWO BEDROOM HOME ALONG WITH A GARAGE AND DRIVEWAY WITH PARKING TO THE REAR IS A MUST VIEW" The property briefly comprises of a entrance hall, family lounge, fitted kitchen, rear porch, two double bedrooms, modern fitted bathroom. Externally to the front the property has a lawn area with pathway to the front and to the rear there is a driveway providing off road parking and GARAGE also with access into the garage through door in garden Energy rating: C.

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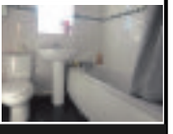

Hedgerow Close, Hednesford **£124,950**

CONNELLS ESTATE AGENTS are pleased to market for sale this immaculately presented TWO bedroom house with PRIVATE PARKING in a CUL-DE-SAC location on a modern family estate in Hednesford with walking distance to Pye Green Academy. The property comprises of a entrance hall, family lounge, modern fitted kitchen with integrated appliances, two bedrooms both of a good size, modern fitted bathroom and conservatory. To the front there is parking for multiple cars and a large separate lawn area, to the rear there is a low maintenance garden with a entertaining patio area. Energy rating: C.

Heath Hayes

Hednesford Road, Heath Hayes **£125,000**

NO CHAIN AND PRICED TO SELL!!! CONNELLS ESTATE AGENTS are pleased to market for sale this deceptively spacious three bedroom end terrace property in Heath Hayes with an exceptionally huge corner plot garden. The property comprises of an entrance into the hall which has doors to the lounge, kitchen, cupboard and stairs to first floor landing, from the lounge there is also a conservatory. Upstairs there are three bedrooms and a family bathroom and a toilet. Externally, to the rear there is a huge corner plot rear garden, and to the front there is off road parking and a large front garden. Energy rating: D.

REDUCED

Sharon Way, Hednesford **£140,000**

Connells Estate Agents are pleased to market for sale this deceptively spacious three bedroom semi detached property in Hednesford, Cannock near to Hednesford train station, transport links and amenities. The property comprises of an entrance into the porch which has a door to the lounge leading through double doors into the kitchen, upstairs there are three bedrooms and a family bathroom. Externally, there is a large block paved driveway to the front and to the rear there is an entertainment block paved area and a raised lawn area. Energy rating: D.

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Evergreen Heights, Hednesford **£154,000**

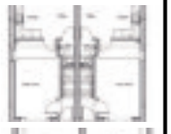
Connells Estate Agents have for sale this well-appointed family home located near to the prestigious CANNOCK CHASE and the popular Pye Green Academy and West Hill Primary School. The property briefly comprises of a entrance hall, downstairs WC, family lounge through diner, modern fitted kitchen, door to integral garage. On the first floor there is a family bathroom with wash hand basin, free standing bath with overhead shower, WC and three bedrooms. Externally to the from there is parking for multiple cars and to the rear there is a entertaining patio area and separate lawn area with a variety of shrubs. Energy Rating: C

Huntington

Sycamore Green, Huntington **O.O £155,000**

Connells Estate Agents are pleased to market this four bedroom semi-detached property located in Cannock which briefly comprises of entrance hall, cloakroom, lounge, conservatory, kitchen, four bedrooms, bathroom, front and rear garden and double glazing (where specified). Energy rating: C.

Hednesford



Burgoyne Street, Hednesford **£157,950**

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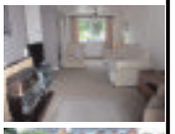

Brooklands Avenue, Great Wyrley **£160,000**

This rather spacious and well presented three bedroom Semi Detached Dormer Bungalow in Great Wyrley. Property comprises of entrance hallway, lounge, kitchen diner with pantry and family bathroom. To the front there is a drive way and detached garage. To the rear there is a paved patio area and a lawn area.

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Great Wyrley

Manor Avenue, Great Wyrley **£169,950**

Connells Estate Agents are pleased to market for sale this three bedroom semi-detached property in Great Wyrley which is within the catchment area to Saint Thomas More, Moat Hill and Great Wyrley High School. The property comprises of lounge, dining room which is open plan to the kitchen, downstairs bathroom, three bedrooms. You also have a large block paved driveway which allows vehicle access through to the rear garden. Energy Rating - D.

Heath Hayes

Hednesford Road, Heath Hayes **£175,000**

This exceptional three bedroom link detached property in Heath Hayes briefly comprises of entrance porch, family lounge, kitchen/diner, three bedrooms with the master having fitted wardrobes and a recently fitted modern en-suite. To the front a driveway provides parking. Energy rating: E

Norton Canes

Church Road, Norton Canes **Offers Over £175,000**

CONNELLS ESTATE AGENTS are pleased to market for sale this three bedroom detached house, located in Norton Canes. The property comprises of entrance hall, lounge and kitchen on the ground floor with the first floor having three bedrooms and a bathroom. Outside to the front of the property is a lawn area and off road parking. To the rear is a patio area, lawned area and access to the garage. Energy rating: D.

Cannock

Pye Green Road, Cannock **£229,999**

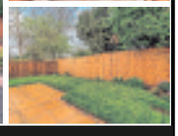
This extended and spacious detached bungalow offers flexible accommodation. The property is located close to Cannock Chase and the market town of Cannock and also commuter links of M6 Toll, M6 and M54. The bungalow, offers entrance hall, lounge/ diner, open plan kitchen/ sunroom, 3 bedrooms, en suite and bathroom. Outside to the front there is a block paved driveway for several cars, flower borders and a garage and low maintenance gardens to the rear. Energy rating: E

Huntington

Foxfields Way, Huntington **£245,000**

Connells Estate Agents have for sale this superbly presented four bedroom detached family home with wonderful kerb appeal. this property really is a must view to fully appreciate the generous living accommodation through out. The property briefly comprises of a entrance hall, substantially large family lounge with a bay window to the rear and leading through double doors into the garden, dining room, modern fitted kitchen and downstairs WC. On the first floor there are is a family bathroom, four bedrooms and the master benefiting from having it's very own en-suite. To the front the property provides a driveway with parking for multiple cars and to the rear there is a beautifully presented entertaining decking area and a large lawn area. Energy rating: D.

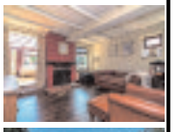
NEW HOME



Bideford Way, Cannock **Offers Over £250,000**

NEW BUILD This THREE BEDROOM detached bungalow has been finished to a very high standard and offers a large driveway leading to an entrance porch, hall, three bedrooms with master en-suite, additional bathroom and a lounge which is partly open plan into the kitchen. Located within walking distance to Cannock and near main bus routes this bungalow is offered with NO CHAIN and a low maintenance garden. This new property is ideal for those that want to own a low maintenance but good sized property.

Penkridge



Bellbrook, Penkridge **£350,000**

LOCATED IN THE VILLAGE CENTRE this detached cottage has many of the original features INCLUDING a beam reclaimed from Hatherton Hall which is now in the farmhouse style kitchen. The house is formerly the old Constables Cottage the property has local historical interest and is situated opposite Penkridge Heritage Centre. Extensively improved by the current owners the property briefly comprises of a lounge, kitchen, family room, utility & guest WC, conservatory, three bedrooms a family bathroom, off road parking and a huge garden.

Cheslyn Hay

Moons Lane, Cheslyn Hay **£390,000**

This five bedroom CORNER PLOT detached house located in Cheslyn Hay briefly comprises of entrance porch, hall, lounge, downstairs W.C, reception room. five bedrooms - master having en-suite, bathroom, kitchen / diner, utility room, garage, front and rear gardens and off road parking. Energy rating: D.

Grove Cottage, Cheslyn Hay

Wolverhampton Road, Cheslyn Hay **£400,000**

A rare opportunity to purchase this charming and highly deceptive DETACHED Cottage.. Situated in the Village of Cheslyn Hay and set on almost an acre of land including a double garage.. this is a fine example of traditional living at its best! the cottage briefly comprises of entrance hall downstairs WC with wash hand basin, family lounge full of character including a featured brick fire place and ceiling beams, dining room, an additional reception room which comes with it's very own Mixer drinking bar and could be even used as a downstairs bedroom, modern fitted kitchen with breakfast bar and stable door out to garden. on the first floor there is a modern fitted family bathroom with jacuzzi bath, separate shower, wash hand basin and WC. As well as four double bedrooms with the master benefiting from having fitted wardrobes and en suite with shower, wash hand basin and WC. Externally the property is situated on almost an acre of land with wrap around gardens to the front, side and rear and shrubs amongst. There is a private gated access which continues down as a driveway and hosts parking for several cars and access to double garage. Energy rating: E.

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Great Wyrley Office - £450,000

GREAT WYRLEY, STAFFORD ROAD

- Fabulous detached residence
- 2 receptions, breakfast kitchen
- Conservatory, guest WC
- 1st floor lounge, dressing room
- Beautiful gardens, driveway parking
- Good sized detached workshop
- EPC rating C

5 2

Great Wyrley Office - £399,950

GREAT WYRLEY, WALSALL ROAD

- Impressive detatched family home
- Two storey rear extension
- Large lounge, family room, study
- Kitchen/diner, utility, guest WC
- Gardens, driveway parking
- Spacious detached triple garage
- EPC rating E

4 5

Great Wyrley Office - £350,000

GREAT WYRLEY, NORTON LANE

- Extended detached bungalow
- Immaculately presented interiors
- Open plan family room / kitchen
- Large conservatory
- Gardens, driveway, garage
- No upward chain
- EPC rating E

3 2

Burntwood Office - £360,000

NEW PRICE

GENTLESHAW, MALTHOUSE LANE

- Four bedroom end terraced
- Spacious living accommodation
- Conservatory
- Stunning views
- Impressive gardens to three sides
- Detached garage
- EPC rating E

4 1

Burntwood Office - £290,000

NEW INSTRUCTION

LICHFIELD, LEOMANSLEY ROAD

- Spacious family home
- Close to Lichfield city centre
- Open plan living space
- Conservatory
- Ample parking
- Sought after location
- EPC rating to follow

4 2

Burntwood Office - £250,000

CANNOCK WOOD, CUMBERLEDGE HILL

- Extended semi detached home
- Dining Kitchen
- Sun room / dining area
- Garage & driveway
- Village location
- Viewing essential
- EPC rating E

3 2

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NEW INSTRUCTION

BURNTWOOD, HOSPITAL ROAD

- Executive family home
- Extensive rear garden
- Ample off road parking
- Open plan living
- Sought after location
- Delightful views to the front
- EPC Rating E

4 2

Burntwood Office - £260,000

HEATH HAYES, CHAPLAIN ROAD

- Superb detached house
- Lounge, dining room
- Kitchen, conservatory
- Garage
- Off-road parking
- Front and rear garden
- EPC rating D

3 2

Burntwood Office - £239,950

NEW INSTRUCTION

CANNOCK WOOD, HAYFIELD HILL

- Semi detached family home
- Contemporary kitchen/diner
- Tandem garage & off road parking
- Village location
- Stunning views to the rear
- Private rear garden
- EPC rating C

3 1

Burntwood Office - £230,000

NEW INSTRUCTION

RAWNSLEY, RAWNSLEY ROAD

- Spacious Family Home
- Modern Kitchen With Centre Island
- Spacious Conservatory
- Ensuite To The Master Bedroom
- Easy Maintance Rear Garden
- Ample Off Road Parking
- Hednesford Hills On The Doorstep

4 2

Great Wyrley Office - £229,999

CHURCHBRIDGE, ELLIOT DRIVE

- Superb detached residence
- Sought after location
- Larger than average plot
- Immaculately presented interiors
- Lounge, kitchen / diner, guest WC
- Gardens, driveway, garage
- EPC rating B

3 2

Burntwood Office - £220,000

BURNTWOOD, NIGHTINGALE COURT

- Second floor penthouse
- Sought after location
- Fully fitted kitchen
- Bathroom & en-suite
- Two allocated parking spaces
- Communal garden & grounds
- EPC rating C

3 2

Burntwood Office - £220,000

NEW INSTRUCTION

HAMMERWICH, OVERTON LANE

- Cottage style home
- Spacious open plan kitchen/diner
- Ample off road parking
- Mature private rear garden
- Countryside views to the rear
- Sought after village location
- EPC rating to follow

3 1

Burntwood Office - £190,000

BURNTWOOD, ROCHESTER AVENUE

- Detached Bungalow
- Modernised Throughout
- Fitted Kitchen with Appliances
- Spacious Lounge
- Private Rear Garden
- No Upward Chain
- EPC rating C

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Great Wyrley Office - £197,950

CHURCHBRIDGE, LOCKSIDE

- Modern semi-detached house
- Popular & convenient location
- Immaculately presented interiors
- Spacious lounge, guest WC
- Superb kitchen / diner
- Gardens, driveway parking
- EPC rating B

3 2

Burntwood Office - £180,000

BURNTWOOD, KINGSDOWN ROAD

- Extended family home
- Conservatory
- Extended kitchen
- Refitted bathroom
- Mature rear garden
- Ample off road parking
- EPC Rating D

3 1

Great Wyrley Office - £180,000

CHESLYN HAY, STATION STREET

- Extended traditional semi
- Prime village location
- Spacious lounge, kitchen
- Conservatory, guest WC
- Charming rear garden
- Driveway, carport, garage
- EPC rating to follow

3 1

Great Wyrley Office - £172,000

CHESLYN HAY, HATHERTON STREET

- Detached period property
- Prime village location
- Lounge, dining room
- Kitchen, utility room
- Ground floor bathroom
- Gardens, off-road parking
- EPC rating D

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NORTON CANES, BEAUMONT WAY

- Three bedroom semi detached
- Spacious lounge/Diner
- Conservatory
- Private rear garden
- Utility room (converted garage)
- Cul de sac location
- EPC rating D

3 2

Burntwood Office - £170,000

BURNTWOOD, ROCHESTER AVENUE

- Extended semi detached
- Spacious lounge / diner
- Extended dining kitchen
- Refitted bathroom
- Private rear garden
- Ample off road parking
- EPC rating C

3 1

Great Wyrley Office - £169,950

CHESLYN HAY, MOUNT CLOSE

- Superb semi-detached bungalow
- Prime Cul-de-Sac location
- Lounge with wood burning fire
- Extended kitchen / dining room
- Spacious loft / storage room
- Gardens, driveway, garage
- EPC rating E

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Great Wyrley Office - £165,000

GREAT WYRLEY, WELL LANE

- Superb dormer bungalow
- Superb village location
- Lounge, dining room, kitchen
- D/S bedroom, shower room
- Gardens, driveway parking
- Useful covered side area
- EPC rating E

3 1

Great Wyrley Office - £159,950

GREAT WYRLEY, BLUEBELL LANE

- Semi-detached dormer bungalow
- Pleasant village location
- Lounge, family room/2nd lounge
- Kitchen, ground floor bathroom
- Lovely rear garden
- Driveway, carport. No chain.
- EPC rating E

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Great Wyrley Office - £129,950

MOSSLEY, TINTERN CRESCENT

- Well proportioned semi
- Ideal for FTB or investor
- Beautifully presented interiors
- Lounge, kitchen/diner
- Gardens, driveway
- Detached single garage
- EPC rating D

3 1

Great Wyrley Office - £149,950

GREAT WYRLEY, TOWER VIEW ROAD

- Semi detached bungalow
- Prime village location
- Spacious lounge
- Larger than average kitchen
- Gardens, driveway
- No chain
- EPC rating to follow

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CHESLYN HAY, STATION STREET

- Charming period semi
- Loads of potential
- Ideal first purchase
- C/H, D/G. NO CHAIN
- First floor bathroom
- Lawned rear gardens
- EPC rating E

2 1

Great Wyrley Office - £99,950

GREAT WYRLEY, ANSON ROAD

- Superb mid-terraced property
- Ideal first time / investor purchase
- Popular village location
- Lounge / diner, kitchen
- Rear garden
- No onward chain
- EPC rating F

2 1

Great Wyrley Office - £79,950

CHESLYN HAY, HIGH STREET

- Ground floor apartment
- Convenient village location
- Ideal FTB / investor purchase
- Lounge, kitchen
- Shared gardens & parking
- No upward chain
- EPC rating D

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Burntwood Office - £50,000

HEATH HAYES, HEATH WAY

- 50% shared ownership
- First floor apartment
- Open plan living
- Cul-de-Sac Location
- Parking facilities
- Gas central heating
- Popular location
- EPC Rating C

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Burntwood Office - £625pcm

BURNTWOOD, HOSPITAL ROAD

- First floor maisonette
- Spacious living accommodation
- Rear garden
- Delightful views to the front
- Double glazing
- Central heating
- EPC Rating D

2 1

Burntwood Office - £550pcm

BURNTWOOD, RUGELEY ROAD

- First floor flat
- Two bedrooms
- Spacious living accommodation
- Parking to the rear
- Fully fitted kitchen
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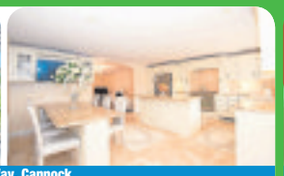
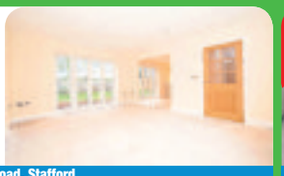


Bideford Way, Cannock

- Detached Stunning Family Home
- Five Large Bedrooms
- Immaculate Kitchen
- En-suite & Bathroom
- Large L-Shape Garden
- Popular Residential Area
- Must Be Viewed
- EPC - TBC

£280,000



Eccleshall Road, Stafford

- Detached New Build Executive Home
- Four Bedrooms
- Finished To High Spec
- En-suite & Family Bathroom
- Spacious Living Room
- Open Plan Kitchen / Dining Room
- Easy Access To M6/A34
- EPC - C

£335,000

Meriden Close, Cannock

- Detached Bungalow
- Three Good Size Bedrooms
- Two Ensuite Shower Rooms
- Modern Kitchen / Diner
- Lounge
- Family Bathroom
- Detached Garage
- EPC - C

£295000

The Priory, Baswich Lane, Stafford

- Semi-Detached Family Home
- Four Bedrooms & En-Suite
- Select Development
- Stunning Fitted Kitchen
- Garage & Parking
- EPC - B

£349,950

Pebblemill Close, Cannock

- Detached Family Home
- Four Bedrooms
- Dining Room
- Lounge
- Conservatory
- EPC - F

£205,000

Barnard Way, Cannock

- Terraced House
- Three Bedrooms
- Lounge & Dining Kitchen
- Downstairs WC
- End Pot
- Driveway
- No Chain
- EPC - D

£139,950

Hatherton Croft, Cannock

- Detached Family Home
- Four Double Bedrooms
- Prestigious Location
- Comprehensively Improved
- Viewing Essential
- EPC - TBC

£362,500

Pineside Avenue, Cannock Wood

- Detached Family Home
- En-suite & Useable Loft Room
- Double Garage, Corner Plot
- Attractive Gardens & Aspect
- Village Location
- EPC - D

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Huntington Terrace Road, Cannock

- Semi - Detached Bungalow
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- Kitchen / Diner
- Large Rear Garden
- EPC - E

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Gorsemoor Road, Heath Hayes

- Detached Family Home
- Four Bedrooms
- En-suite & Bathroom
- Lounge & Dining Room
- Utility & Guest WC
- EPC - D

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Charnley Road, Stafford

- Semi - Detached
- Three Bedrooms
- Immaculate Home
- Large Living Space
- Conservatory
- EPC - D

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George Street, Hednesford

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- Back Onto Playing Fields
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Lichfield Road, Stafford

- Spacious Three Storey Home
- In Need Of Modernisation
- Three Bedrooms
- Energy Rating F
- Three Reception Rooms
- Large Rear Garden

£95,000

Stafford Street, Heath Hayes

- Mixed Commercial / Residential
- Detached Three Bed Property
- Office
- Workshops
- Previous Planning Permission
- Occupying Generous Plot

£275,000

Cannock Road, Chadsmoor

- Mixed Use Freehold Investment Opportunity
- Retail Unit & Office Space
- Garage & Garden
- Off Road Parking Space
- High Street Location
- Workshop & Garden
- Viewing Recommended
- EPC - D

£125,000

Baker Street, Burntwood

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- Lounge with doors to garden
- Two bedrooms
- Gas central gas & double glazing

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- Kitchen/diner
- Spacious lounge
- Three bedrooms
- Family bathroom

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Eaton Croft, Rugeley

- Modern detached family home
- Lounge / dining room
- Three bedrooms
- Family bathroom & en-suite
- Rear garage
- Available mid Aug 16

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Broadmeadow Lane, Great Wyrley

- Fully refurbished family home
- Kitchen / breakfast room
- Four / Five bedrooms
- Two bathrooms
- Large rear garden
- Available now.

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Bideford Way, Cannock

- Brand new detached bungalow
- Open plan kitchen / lounge
- Fitted kitchen with appliances
- Three double bedrooms
- Master bathroom and en-suite
- Rear garden and driveway

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Kitchen	Lounge
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Town House	Parking To Rear
Kitchen	Lounge
Two Bedrooms	EPC D

Norton Terrace, Cannock

Offers Around £110,000

End Terrace Mews	Allocated Parking Space
Kitchen / Diner	Lounge
Two Bedrooms	EPC C

Acorn Mews, Willenhall

Offers Around £110,000

Ground Floor Apartment	Allocated Parking
Bathroom	Lounge / Kitchen Area
Two Bedrooms	EPC C

Littleworth Road, Cannock

Offers Around £122,500

Terraced Property	Large Rear Porch
Kitchen & Utility	Two Bedrooms
Sellers Incentive	EPC D

Remington Drive, Cannock

Offers Around £115,000

Two Bedroom Bungalow	NO CHAIN
Bathroom	Lounge
Fitted Kitchen	EPC D

Wolverhampton Road, Cannock

Offers Around £150,000

Semi Detached Property	Front and Rear Gardens
Integral Garage	Conservatory
Three Bedrooms	EPC D

Cocketts Nook, Rugeley

Offers Around £127,500

Semi Detached Property	In Sellers Incentive Scheme
Garage	Dining Room
Three Bedrooms	EPC D

Gorsemoor Road, Cannock

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Mid Terrace Property	In Sellers Incentive Scheme
Rear Garden	Lunge/Dining Room
Two Bedrooms, Nursery	EPC D

Lupin Drive, Huntington

Offers Around £225,000

Modern Town House	Popular Development
En Suite	Three Storey
Four Bedrooms	EPC B

Deavall Way, Cannock

Offers Around £200,000

Detached Property	Large	Parking For Several Cars	
Conservatory		Dining Kitchen	EPC D
Three Bedrooms			

Hamilton Street, Bloxwich

Offers Around £137,000

Semi Detached Property	No Chain
Utility and Conservatory	Two Reception Rooms
Three Bedrooms	EPC C

Westbourne Avenue, Cannock

Offers Around £140,000

Semi Detached Home	No Chain
Kitchen Extension	Lounge/Diner
Three Bedrooms	EPC D

Broad Street, Cannock

Offers Around £90,000

End Terrace Property	Good Sized Garden
Utility Room	Dining Kitchen
Two Bedrooms	EPC F

Sutherland Road, Walsall

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Three Bedrooms	Detached Garage to Rear
Generous Corner Plot	Kitchen
Lounge / Dining Room	Awaiting EPC

Lilac Lane, Walsall

Offers Around £160,000

Semi Detached	No Upward Chain
Tandem Garage	Lounge
Three Bedrooms	EPC D

Asquith Drive, Cannock

Offers Around £185,000

Detached Property	Generous Plot
En Suite Shower Room	Lounge / Dining Room
Three Bedrooms	Awaiting EPC

Greenheath Road, Hednesford

Offers Around £220,000

Extended Detached Property	Large Corner Plot
Conservatory	Lounge / Dining Room
Three Bedrooms	Awaiting EPC

Hall Road, Handsacre

Offers Around £340,000

Well Presented Cottage	Off Road Parking
Large Bathroom	Two Reception Rooms
Three Bedrooms	Awaiting EPC

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Offers Around £425,000

Detached Family Home	Conservatory,	Downstairs WC
Three/Four Bedrooms	No Chain	
Two Reception Rooms	EPC E	

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- Off Road Parking
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- 1 Bed Mews House
- Lounge, Kitchen
- Electric Heating & DG
- Front Garden
- Allocated Parking
- Energy Rating E
- NO DSS OR PETS

£425 pcm

MORETON STREET, CHADSMOOR

- 1 Bed Flat
- Lounge, Kitchen
- Bathroom
- Off Road Parking
- EPC Pending
- NO DSS/PETS

£425 pcm

CECIL STREET, CHADSMOOR

- Two Bed Mid
- Lounge/Diner
- Kitchen/ Utility
- Bathroom
- DG & GCH
- Energy Rating D
- No DSS or Pets

£475 pcm

UNION STREET, BRIDGTOWN

- Two Bed Flat
- Lounge/Diner
- Kitchen, Bathroom
- En-suite, GCH, DG
- Parking
- Energy Rating C
- NO DSS OR PETS

£510 pcm

ANGLESEY COURT, HEDNESFORD

- Two Bed Flat
- Lounge, Kitchen
- GCH & DG
- Off Road Parking
- Energy Rating D
- NO DSS / PETS

£525 pcm

HOBART ROAD, HEATH HAYES

- Two Bed House
- Lounge, Kitchen
- DG,GCH
- Parking & Garage
- Energy Rating E
- NO DSS/PETS

£525 pcm

PATTERDALE ROAD, CANNOCK

- 2 Bed Semi
- Lounge
- Kitchen/ Utility
- Bathroom
- GCH/DG
- Energy Rating D
- No DSS/Pets

£550 pcm

FOXES RAKE, CANNOCK

- 2 Bed Mid Terrace
- Lounge/Kitchen
- GCH & DG
- Gardens
- Off Road Parking
- Energy Rating C
- No DSS / Pets

£575 pcm

CLIFTON AVENUE, CANNOCK

- 3 Bed Mid
- Lounge, Kitchen
- Bathroom
- GCH & DG
- Garden
- Energy Rating
- NO DSS OR PETS

£600 pcm

TOWER VIEW ROAD, GREAT WYRLEY

- An improved ground floor flat
- Re-decorated & Re-carpeted throughout
- Spacious lounge-diner
- Re-fitted Kitchen
- Two Bedrooms, Shower Room
- Communal Gardens

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PAGET MEWS, HEDNESFORD

- Well Presented 1st Floor Maisonette
- Lounge
- Re-Fitted Kitchen
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- Bathroom
- Communal Gardens & Allocated Parking
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£79,950 No Chain

BELT ROAD, HEDNESFORD

- Well Presented Semi Detached House
- Spacious Lounge
- Fitted Kitchen-Diner
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Fitted Bathroom
- Rear Garden
- Driveway

£115,000

PICASSO CLOSE, HEATH HAYES

- A Well Presented
- Entrance Hall
- Modern Re-Fitted Kitchen
- Family Lounge
- Two Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Enclosed Rear Garden
- Driveway & Additional Parking Space

£120,000

HUNTINGTON TERRACE ROAD, CANNOCK

- Spacious Semi Detached House
- Modern Kitchen
- Lounge-Diner
- Guest WC &
- Conservatory
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Study
- Bathroom
- Driveway & Gardens

£127,500 No Chain

KENSINGTON PLACE, HEATH HAYES

- A Three Bedroom Semi Detached House
- Lounge, Kitchen-Diner
- Three Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Driveway

£145,000 No Chain

LITTLEWORTH ROAD, HEDNESFORD

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- A Very Well Presented and Improved Mid Terraced House
- GCH & D/G
- Lounge, Dining Room
- Modern Kitchen, Utility
- Guest WC/ Shower Room
- Three Bedrooms, Modern Bathroom
- Front and Rear Gardens & Parking to Rear

£122,500 No Chain

GEORGE STREET, HEDNESFORD

- Well Presented & Extended Semi Detached
- Kitchen
- Family Lounge-Diner
- Dining Room/Sitting Room
- Three Bedrooms
- Bathroom, Good Size Rear Garden
- Driveway

£155,000

ALPINE DRIVE, HEDNESFORD

- A Deceptively Spacious Semi Detached Bungalow
- Entrance Porch, Reception Hall
- Lounge Diner, Breakfast Kitchen
- Inner Hall, Three Bedrooms
- Bathroom, Enclosed Rear Garden
- Integral Garage & Driveway

£155,000 No Chain

WHEATLANDS CLOSE, HEATH HAYES

- An Extended & Well Presented Semi Detached House
- Entrance Hall, Lounge, Dining Area
- Extended Breakfast Kitchen
- Conservatory, Study
- Three Bedrooms, Bathroom
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Driveway

£165,000

BADGERS WAY, HEATH HAYES

- An Extended Link Detached House
- Lounge, Conservatory
- Extended Kitchen, Dining Room
- Ground Floor Shower Room/WC
- Sitting Room/Bedroom Four
- Three First Floor Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Gardens & Driveway

£169,950

PYE GREEN ROAD, CANNOCK

- Extended and Much Improved Bungalow
- Superbly Presented Through-Out
- Reception Hall & Family Lounge
- Re-Fitted Kitchen, Utility Area
- Impressive Conservatory
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- Driveway & Gardens

£179,995

PARTRIDGE CLOSE, HEATH HAYES

- Extremely Well Presented Detached House
- Entrance Hall & Guest WC
- Lounge & Dining Room
- Kitchen
- Three Bedrooms
- En-Suite Shower Room
- Family Bathroom
- Gardens, Garage & Driveway

£200,000

HILLSIDE CLOSE, HEDNESFORD

- Spacious Semi Detached
- Lounge & Conservatory
- Breakfast Kitchen & Family Room
- Ground Floor Bedroom with Ensuite Shower
- Four 1st Floor Bedrooms
- Master with Dressing Room/Study
- Bathroom, Driveway & Rear Garden

£220,000

ATTLEE GROVE, HEATH HAYES

- Well Presented Detached Family Home
- Lounge & Dining Room
- Re-Fitted Kitchen
- Utility & Guest WC
- Four Bedrooms
- En-Suite & Re-Fitted Bathroom
- Garage & Driveway
- Enclosed Rear Garden

£235,000

GORSEMOOR ROAD, HEATH HAYES

- A Well Presented & Spacious Detached Bungalow
- Through Hallway & Family Lounge
- Re-Fitted Breakfast Kitchen
- Utility Room
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Good Sized Gardens
- Double Garage & Driveway

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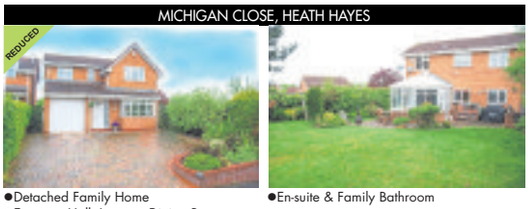
MICHIGAN CLOSE, HEATH HAYES



- Detached Family Home
- Entrance Hall, Lounge, Dining Room
- Kitchen, Utility Room, Guest WC
- Four Bedrooms
- En-suite & Family Bathroom
- Generous Rear Garden
- Garage & Driveway

£245,000

ROSEWOOD HOUSE, GREAT WYRLEY

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- Hallway & Guest WC
- Family Lounge-Diner
- Breakfast Kitchen & Utility Room
- Four Bedrooms
- Re-Fitted En-Suite & Bathroom
- Garage & Driveway
- Front & Rear Gardens

£299,995

LONGFORD ROAD, CANNOCK

- A Deceptively Spacious Detached Family Home
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- Kitchen, Conservatory
- Three Double Bedrooms, Family Bathroom
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New Volvo V40 ticks all boxes

By Ian Donaldson

IMAGINE the product planning team at Volvo HQ in Sweden when the best-selling V40 range came up for discussion.

Introduced in 2012, it had been on sale long enough for a mid-term facelift – the sort of modest budget update that keeps the car on a potential purchaser's radar.

You could make an industry-wide tick list, such is the degree of similarity among the carmakers of the world. It might go like this for the Volvo:

- New lights and radiator grille (biggest visual change without messing about expensively with the bodywork). TICK.
- New paint colours (five of them; four of those different blues). TICK.
- New designs of alloy wheel. Eight of those. TICK.
- New interior trim (with the choice of a woven look from a motor show one-off). TICK.
- New level of connectivity (allowing your mobile phone to talk to the car). TICK.

Volvo then deviated a bit from the updating bible with a simplified and newly names series of trim levels, introduced a new petrol engine to the V40 Cross Country range and fettled the already low emissions diesel Drive-E engine.

That now produces a fine 89g/km – down from 94g/km – and qualifies for more modest company car tax (18 per cent).

Comfortably more than one in three of all the new Volvos sold in the UK has a V40 badge, so its continuing success is vital to the company's bottom line.

So the fact that by far the biggest slice of V40 sales go not to the cheapest grade (now called Momentum) or the next up the line (Inscription) but to the trim level called R-Design, which brings a bit of a butch look with different grille, twin exhaust pipes and cosmetic rear diffuser (very F1), along with 17ins alloys, sporty seats, wheel, pedals and floor mats (!), along with an illuminated gear knob.

The R-Design cars will take an estimated 42 per cent of sales and start at £22,345 for a T2 petrol engine (1969cc and 120bhp) although the most popular power unit across the entire V40 range is going to be the D2 diesel, that appeals in spades to company car uses (thank its ultra low 89g/km emissions for that).

Predicted

Second biggest seller will be entry-level Momentum cars, starting at £20,255 with the T2 petrol engine on board, but at a predicted 16 per cent of sales, they will be a long way behind their dearer R-Design siblings.

Volvo and safety go together like egg and chips and for years the V40 was the safest car ever rated by the European crash test group.

Volvo gives a little smile when it says it now ranks only second – to another Volvo (the newer and much bigger XC90).

So this latest V40 continues to come as standard with brakes that put themselves on up to 31mph if the driver ignores a potential crash ahead and the world's first pedestrian airbag, that explodes from the rear of the bonnet to cushion the blow in an accident.

The latest V40 has updates to its Volvo On Call system that makes it compatible with Windows 10 and lets smartphone users remotely lock and unlock the doors, find the car on a map (or supermarket car park) and flash the lights and sound the horn – yes, that's my car over there.

The car pulls cleanly and quietly from almost any speed and would gobble up motorway miles

Out in a new Momentum grade V40 with the D2 diesel engine, just dropping into the car back instantly the feel of a modern Volvo; from firm and shapely contours of the seats to no-nonsense graphics on the instrument panel and a solidly sensible approach to the business of getting about in comfort and safety.

The on-paper performance of this D2 1969cc 118bhp diesel (118mph and 0-62mph in 10.5 seconds) looks modest but the car pulls cleanly and quietly from almost any speed and would gobble up motorway miles.

As ever, the official fuel consumption figure is highly optimistic (better than 84mpg) but the 52.9mpg recorded on the test drive was probably a bit on the pessimistic side.

Not bad anyway and combined with that low, low emissions count promising a wallet friendly time for its probable business user driver.

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Skoda's SUV campaign

Škoda has kicked off its major SUV campaign with the new Kodiaq.

It is a versatile all-rounder offering the largest boot capacity within its class, and will be available with the option of a third row of seats.

The Kodiaq places a new brand emphasis on infotainment, assistance systems and connectivity, and goes on sale at the beginning of 2017.

With the Kodiaq, Škoda is entering a new market segment that is growing quickly across the world – the large SUV class. With this campaign, the brand wants to engage new customer groups, increase its market share and further strengthen its position in international markets.

The Kodiaq is a true Škoda: with a design full of character and emotion, its brings the brand's new design language into the SUV segment. In day-to- day use, it offers a variety of qualities for family, leisure and business. Whether as a five or seven-seater, the KODIAQ has plenty of space. With a capacity of up to 2,065 litres, the five-seater boasts the largest boot within its class.

Kodiaq introduces new concepts, including door-edge protection that deploys automatically to avoid damaging the car in garages or car parks. There is an electric child safety lock, as well as a sleep comfort package with special headrests for long trips.

With innovative connectivity solutions, the Kodiaq is at the top end of its segment. They offer numerous functions and interfaces, and are all equipped with capacitive touchscreens. The top-of- the-range Columbus and Amundsen systems come with a WiFi hotspot. As an optional extra, there is an LTE module for the Columbus system – which establishes an internet connection using the fastest mobile communications standard currently available.

The new mobile online services from Škoda are compatible with LTE, and are divided into two: the Infotainment Online services provide information and navigation, and the Care Connect services provide breakdown and emergency assistance. An eCall emergency button, which will be required for all new cars in Europe from 2018, is already now part of the Care Connect service. Other online services run via the Škoda Connect app. They can be used to check, configure and find a car from afar via a smartphone.

The Kodiaq reaches a new level when it comes to the intelligent pairing of car and smartphone. The SmartLink platform, with Apple CarPlay, Android Auto, MirrorLink TM and SmartGate, is optional for the entry-level Swing infotainment system but a standard feature for the more advanced infotainment systems. A Phonebox with inductive charging connects the smartphone to the roof aerial and charges it wirelessly.

The Kodiaq features a wide range of driving assistance systems. The area view cameras, new for Škoda, display the car's immediate surroundings. When a trailer is attached, the tow assist system takes over manoeuvring when reversing slowly. The new predictive pedestrian protection function compliments front assist. Parking distance control with braking function, also new, provides support with parking manoeuvres.

Additional driver assistance systems are also available. They keep the car at a safe distance from vehicles in front, make it easier for the driver to change and stay in lane, alert the driver to important traffic signs and assist when parking.

Kodiaq will be available in a choice of five engines: two TDIs and three TSIs. The most powerful petrol, the 2.0-litre TSI, provides dynamic driving performance with a power output of 180 PS; it works just as efficiently as a lower capacity powertrain thanks to a new combustion process.

A range of transmission options are available – six-speed manual gearbox, DSG transmission, front-wheel drive and all-wheel drive. The car negotiates all types of roads in a balanced and comfortable, yet dynamic and nimble way. The driving experience becomes even more appealing when the car features driving mode select and dynamic chassis control (DCC). Using these, operation of the steering, accelerator, DSG transmission and suspension can be configured in multiple modes.

The Kodiaq feels equally at home on rough terrain. On reaching the end of the road, an off-road mode supports the driver when using four-wheel drive. At the touch of a button, all the relevant systems – engine management, assistance systems, electronic chassis systems, such as ABS and ESC, as well as the suspension if combined with the optional DCC – automatically adjust to off-road conditions.

Škoda is entering a new market segment that is growing quickly across the world – the large SUV class

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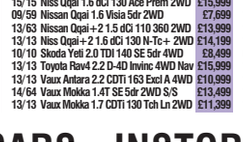

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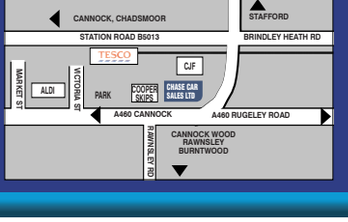

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Ford goes big in the SUV sector with Edge

By Matt Kimberley

Designed to appeal to audiences on both sides of the Atlantic, Ford's Edge is the biggest SUV to come from the brand in years.

From the concept to the end product, the Edge is a new thing. It's Ford of Europe's first large SUV, based on Mondeo undergarments, but with four-wheel-drive, two powerful diesel engines (with more under consideration) and a new, premium shtick with which the American company wants to poke the German luxury brands.

It's part of the OneFord programme, so it's built in North America and exported all over the globe with minor changes to suit different markets. We awkward Europeans with our bumpy B-roads and our derestricted autobahns had a big say in how the suspension and handling were tuned.

If you're thinking it looks a bit 'Murican in the pictures, you're not alone. But the blocky styling and slightly in-your-face dark wheels and detailing of the range-topping Sport model sing a pretty good tune in the metal. The Titanium model is a bit more reserved; a bit more middle-of-the-road. It's improbably wide, though, with a high and highly-shaped bonnet, so it looks even bigger than it actually is.

While the build and materials quality is for the most part a big step up for Ford, it's competing with S line Audi Q5s and mid-grade BMW X3s. Even the entry-level Jaguar F-Pace is a rival. Next to those, the Blue Oval can't really compete.

Usefulness

Where the Edge scores points is for its clever design, which squeezes loads of usefulness into its 4.8-metre length. There are bag hooks in the boot, a spare wheel, a cabin wide enough for three kids to sit side-by-side on bean bags and enough clever storage spaces to make it a nightmare for customs officials at border crossings.

The amount of empty air around the front seats is amazing. Even the current Mr Universe wouldn't have shoulders broad enough to fill the width. Including the stubby mirrors, the Edge is well over two metres wide, and it feels it on the road, but it does create an implausibly spacious cabin.

Driven back-to-back, the more powerful diesel offers noticeably more low-down punch. The twin-clutch automatic gearbox helps make the most of that, too, only kicking down when your throttle pedal inputs clearly ask for it. The 2.0-litre diesel might not be the most refined on the market, but Ford's soundproofing and standard-fit Active Noise Control suppress wind and road noise like you wouldn't believe. The quiet at motorway speeds (and beyond) is uncanny.

The Sport's variable-ratio steering is frustrating, as is every other system like it. Approach the same corner at different speeds and you'll need two entirely different steering inputs to negotiate it. The standard set-up is slower to turn the car, but feels more consistent, despite a strong urge to self-centre. Neither transmits any meaningful road feel.

Sport models have a harder suspension system that permits less body roll, but rides with a jiggly edge on its 20-inch wheels that's missing from the Titanium and its 19s. As a trade-off the Sport feels more planted in corners, and has the more supportive seats for the job.

The model to go for is the Titanium with the Lux pack, the more powerful engine and the auto gearbox. A Ford enthusiast will look at it as a family car. And it is. It's America-big, so feels a bit wide for a lot of minor European roads, but the space and practicality is incredible. If the German options just don't light your candle, the Edge offers a new choice.

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New Black Edition SV for Nissan Qashqai

Nissan is introducing the stylish new 'Black Edition' to the Qashqai line-up. A new flagship specification for the range, the Black Edition is the first special version of Qashqai available since the model was launched in 2013. Offered in a limited production run, the Black Edition is on sale now and priced from £27,310 on-the-road.

Based on the generously equipped Tekna grade, Black Edition enhancements include 19" Black Ibiscus alloy wheels, Pearl Black metallic paint, front and rear styling plates and 'Black Edition' badged door entry guards.

The model also gains the sleek Panoramic Roof with one-touch shade, making it the only Qashqai with a glass roof as standard – typically a £400 option on Tekna models.

Nissan's suite of advanced safety and driver assist systems – collectively known as Nissan Safety Shield – are included on the car as standard. These include lane departure warning, high beam assist, traffic sign recognition, forward emergency braking, blind spot warning, moving object detection and driver attention alert.

Additional specification includes full black leather upholstery, intelligent park assist, bi-LED headlights and the state-of-the-art NissanConnect infotainment system. Based around an integrated seven-inch high-resolution touchscreen, it includes DAB digital radio and satellite navigation. Nissan's pioneering 360º Around View Monitor – to help with low-speed manoeuvres – is also fitted as standard.

The Qashqai Black Edition is powered by the frugal yet refined dCi 110 6-speed manual 2WD, which delivers 70.6mpg combined fuel economy and CO2 emissions of just 103g/km.

Kieran McMenamin, section manager for Qashqai at Nissan Motors GB Ltd., commented: "Top-grade Tekna versions represent around one in three Qashqai purchases and recent reveals like the Qashqai Premium Concept identify a desire and demand for Qashqai to extend towards the higher end of the segment.

"As a new flagship for the range, the Black Edition is the definitive statement for Qashqai – luxury styling and generous specification but maintaining an accessible price point. In fact, at just £450 more than the equivalent Tekna, the model represents around £1200 in savings compared with individual Option prices on Tekna models."

The multi-award-winning Qashqai's impressive quality, styling and innovative technologies continue to make it the best-selling crossover in Europe. Since production began in 2013, a new Qashqai has been built every 62 seconds, or 58 per hour, at the plant in Sunderland, UK. In September 2015 the Nissan Qashqai became the fastest ever UK-built vehicle to smash the half million production mark.

To find out more visit www.nissan.co.uk

World first with three electrified powertrains

By James Parker

Hyundai Motor UK has announced the pricing and specification of IONIQ, the world's first car to offer three electrified powertrains. IONIQ will go on sale in the UK in October.

Prices will start from £19,995 for the IONIQ Hybrid SE 1.6 GDi, which includes standard features such as 15" alloy wheels, DAB with Bluetooth, Cruise Control and Rear Parking Sensors with Rear View Camera. Standard safety features include Autonomous Emergency Braking (AEB), Lane Keep Assist System (LKAS) and individual Tyre Pressure Monitoring System (TPMS).

IONIQ Hybrid Premium 1.6 GDi, from £21,795, provides additional equipment over the SE, including keyless entry with push button start, heated front seats, heated steering wheel, Bi-Xenon headlamps with LED rear combination lamps and a driver's supervision instrument cluster with 7" LCD display.

Integrated satellite navigation with TomTom Live services, an Infinity audio system with Android Auto / Apple CarPlay and Wireless Phone Charging (where supported) also feature as standard.

From £23,595, IONIQ Hybrid Premium SE 1.6 GDi models benefit from enhanced comfort equipment such as leather seats with heated/ventilated front seats and heated outer rear seats, heated leather steering wheel and a driver power seat with Integrated Memory System. Blind Spot Detection with Rear Cross Traffic Alert, Front Parking Assist and optional 17" alloy wheels round off this range topping trim.

Colours

IONIQ Hybrid is available in seven different exterior colours; Phantom Black, Polar White, Platinum Silver, Iron Grey, Demitasse Brown, Marina Blue and Phoenix Orange. The lava stone interior trim features blue accents throughout the cabin and control surfaces.

IONIQ Electric prices start from £28,995 for the Premium specification, mirroring Hybrid Premium, with specific equipment including Automatic Windscreen Wipers with Rain Sensor, 16" alloy wheels, LED headlamps and rear combination lamps and Advanced Smart Cruise Control. Integrated satellite navigation is standard across the IONIQ Electric range.

IONIQ Electric Premium SE, available from £30,795 again mirrors Hybrid Premium SE specification, with standard equipment such as leather seats with heated/ventilated front and heated rear seats, heated leather steering wheel and a driver power seat with Integrated Memory System, Blind Spot Detection, front Parking Sensors and EV specific 16" alloy wheels.

IONIQ Electric is expected to receive eligibility for the Plug-in Car Grant, enabling customers to potentially receive a £4,500 grant towards the purchase of the vehicle.

All IONIQ Electric feature standard rapid charge compatibility, ensuring an 80 per cent charge capability in just 33 minutes from a 50kW CCS Combo Rapid public charger, whilst a standard ICCB Charging Cable will allow charging from a domestic three pin supply. IONIQ Electric also features adjustable regenerative braking, via steering column mounted paddles, maximising driver engagement and enhancing efficiency.

Network

IONIQ Hybrid will be available across the Hyundai dealership network from October 13, with IONIQ Electric initially available from a selected network of 27 dealerships, with full network rollout from 2017.

All IONIQ models come with Hyundai's industry-leading 5 Year Unlimited Mileage Warranty package, with the additional high voltage battery cover of 8 years / 125,000 miles.

IONIQ Plug-In Hybrid 1.6 GDi prices and specifications will be announced prior to the on sale date in 2017.

Tony Whitehorn, President and CEO Hyundai Motor UK said: "The all-new Hyundai IONIQ is the world's first car offering three electrified powertrains and it will make low- to zero-emission mobility more accessible to more people. Hyundai's innovative approach delivers an uncompromising design and driving experience, the latest connectivity and safety features with an enhanced industry-leading warranty-package.

"It is also an important milestone in our sustainability strategy, bringing innovative technologies to the market and extending the company's product range of low-to-zero emission vehicles, which already includes the world's first mass-produced fuel-cell electric vehicle, the ix35 Fuel Cell."

Hyundai Motor UK has also announced that POD Point will be the preferred charging partner for customer domestic charge point installations, as well as points across the Hyundai UK dealer network and Hyundai Motor UK facilities.

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Duster is fantastic value for price tag

By John Griffiths

Given a choice, I suppose most of us would like to be driving a 200mph supercar, or a Hollywood star's limousine: but buying one (and running it) are a very different matter.

Instead we use our heads and go for the most practical form of transport to meet our own particular needs, within the limits of what we can afford (or want to pay for a car).

So as car prices soar, the entrance of Dacia into the showrooms of Britain and other European countries must have been greeted with a sigh of relief for those without a bottomless pit of money.

One of its most popular models is the Duster, which offers that styling plus space and practicality for the price of a small hatchback. With prices starting from under £9,500 (albeit for a no-frills, rather basic version), the Duster stands out from the crowd of compact SUVs for sheer value for money.

Indeed even the better-kitted versions, with all the features we take for granted and a bit more, cost less than many of its most basic rivals. The test car, for example, a diesel-powered Laureate model costs from under £14,000 even with the addition of the optional satnav and multi-media system, with remote controls on the steering wheel.

The Duster recently enjoyed a facelift, with some styling touches to add to its visual appeal. There's a new chrome grille, Duster branded roof bars, new, higher quality upholstery, and – in the case of the Laureate – body coloured door handles, 16-inch alloy wheels dark metal wing mirrors and chrome scuff plates front and rear.

The cheap look of the plastic interior components is broken up with a high gloss finish on areas such as the armrest and interior door handles. Not that plastic is necessarily a bad thing – just ask parents of young children and dog owners who want surfaces that are quick and easy to wipe.

Impressive

The Duster seats four adults easily (five at a pinch) with plenty of head and leg room even in the back. The cargo space puts many compact SUV and family hatchback rivals to shame – 475 litres with a full complement of passengers, and an impressive 1,636 litres with rear seats folded down.

The test car was a front wheel drive only model (four wheel drive adds £2,000 to the price) powered by a Renault-derived turbo diesel, producing 109bhp complemented by 260Nm of torque.

It's official (from the standard laboratory test) fuel average is 62.8mpg, which translates into a low CO2 emissions figure of 115g/km (VED band C). Laboratory test figures, as we know, rarely translate into real world results but I was happy with the 52mpg achieved over a week of mixed motoring.

The car has an Eco button, plus a selectable stop/start system, to help you eke out precious fuel. An insurance rating of 11A will help to keep running costs down too.

Performance (0 to 62mph in 11.8 seconds) is plenty to get you up to the motorway limit or keep up with everyday traffic, without feeling like hard work or undue noise. Indeed, cruising at speed is a relaxed and refined affair, particularly as the quite soft suspension flattens out the bumps and undulations on some of our poorer road surfaces,

While this is a front wheel drive only model, the car has a raised ride height, scuff plates, long travel suspension plus traction and stability controls which means it does have some limited off-road ability – certainly more than a standard hatchback, anyone. The 4x4 versions also get a centre differential lock, where you can select two wheel drive for on- road economy, an auto option for slippery roads or a full lock mode for off-roading and snow.

The vehicle's height, plus suspension which is also used on the 4x4 models, means you can't expect the handling dynamics of a hot hatch but the Duster can be hustled along without excessive body roll. The steering is light and stable in the straight ahead position. The six-speed gearbox has a slick action, and the Duster's brakes are well up to the task.

The centre of the Laureate's dash features a touch screen control for the optional satnav plus the audio (radio and CD player) controls, phone and USB connectivity,

Standard Duster equipment includes from and side airbags, ABS with emergency brake assist, traction control and an electronic stability programme, electric front windows, and remote central locking.

The higher specification Laureate also has alloy wheels, satin chrome roof rails and scuff plates, manual air conditioning, a split/fold rear seat, electric windows all round, a height adjustable steering wheel front fog lights, a cruise control/speed limiter and a multi-function trip computer.

While the basic Duster at £9,500 and powered by a 1,600cc petrol engine, is the bargain basement the diesel-powered Laureate is the bargain.

Whichever way you look at it, the Duster is outstanding value for money. The warranty covers you for three years or 60,000 miles but for £395 you can extend that for another two years, or for a one-off £850 you can have peace of mind for seven-years or 100,000 miles.

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Classic van and pickup show

The popular Classic Van and Pickup Show returns for a third year to the British Motor Museum on Sunday, August 7.

The show, which is dedicated to light commercial vehicles including pick-ups, ice-cream vans, campers, taxis, hearses and police cars, will also incorporate the 10th year of the Transit Van Clubs annual Rally which takes place on August 6 and 7.

Around 600 vehicles including those from The Transit Van Club, The Post Office Vehicle Club and the Classic Hearse Register are expected to take part. These vehicles will appear alongside the Morris J Type Register and the Morris Commercial Club. All classic light commercial vehicles including custom street vans are welcome, no matter what the make or their condition.

The Transit Van Club Rally will take place over the weekend and will feature seminars/videos with talks given by Peter Lee on the Saturday. The main van display day for the Transit Van Club and Transit driving challenges will take place on the Sunday alongside the Classic Van and Pick Up Show.

Tom Caren, show manager for the British Motor Museum said: "This is a must see show for all lovers of van, pickups and other light commercial vehicles which are often overlooked at other shows. This unique show puts van's and pick-ups into the spotlight for a change."

Tickets for the show and rally: £14 for adults, £9 for children and £39 for a family. Discounted tickets are available in advance online.

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The charge of the electric vehicle galloping ahead

By James Parker

Sales of electric and plug-in hybrid vehicles are about to take off, and the AA predicts that more than 500,000 of these alternatively-powered cars will be on UK roads by 2020.

The AA believes that dispelling the myths surrounding the costs associated with running these sorts of vehicles could help increase these estimates significantly.

To aid this process, the AA has partnered with Chargemaster, the UK's leading electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure provider, to provide support and access to a growing network of UK charge points.

Revolution

AA president, Edmund King, said: "We think that the EV revolution is about to take off and we want to help consumers understand the benefits of low-cost, low-emission driving and to show them it is accessible and affordable.

"Per mile driven, an EV is five times cheaper than the average petrol car and carries no vehicle excise duty."

The partnership will provide EV owners with a range of benefits including home charging units, and access to thousands of charging points at preferential rates.

The organisations will also begin expanding the number of domestic and public charging points around the country.

Chargemaster is currently installing 40 of its latest 50KW Ultrachargers in London –which are capable of charging an EV in less than 30 minutes – quadrupling the number of charge points within the M25 in the process.

AA research reveals there are a number of barriers and misconceptions surrounding EV ownership, such as their high purchase price, durability of battery and the availability of public charge points.

David Martell, Chargemaster CEO, points out that availability of charging points at a destination is a significant barrier to EV ownership, a concern that worried 81 per cent of AA respondents.

"We want to change that perception. This new relationship with the AA will see hundreds more AA branded charging points installed," he said.

"They'll go in at AA-rated hotels and other accessible public places such as supermarkets, public car parks and town centres, while we will be embarking on a public awareness campaign to show that charging a vehicle at home is neither difficult or costly."

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Memories of our life together, forever treasured in my heart.

All my love, Dennis.

MIDDLETON
Ann
My special lady.
July 24
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Miss you.
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birthday remembrances

JONES
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Son
July 24

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Happy birthday sweetheart, love you always.God bless. Your Mum Lorraine.

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VERMEER
Annette

Pete and Family would like to thank Friends and Family for attending Annette's Funeral.

Special thanks to Sellmans, especially Edward. Thanks to Simon for Order of Service, Lee at Cannock Social and Whitehouse Catering.

A total of £313 was raised for St. Giles Hospice.

Thank you all so much.

Pete, Max and Tracy.

deaths

BISHOP
Enid
Beloved Wife and Mother.

Passed away peacefully on Friday, July 8, 2016, at the aged of 78.

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Her Funeral will be held at Stafford Crematorium, on Tuesday, July 26, at 2pm.

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Donations to Compton Hospice.

CHAINEY
Betty

Formerly of Tunnicliffe Drive.

Passed away on July 15, 2016, at Hawksyard Priory Nursing Home, aged 89 years.

The Funeral Service will take place at Stafford Crematorium, on Friday, July 29, 2016, at 12.30pm.

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Hazel

Passed away peacefully on Monday, July 11, 2016, aged 83 years.

Much loved and missed by all her Family and Friends.

The Funeral Service is to be held on Wednesday, July 27, at 3.30pm, at Stafford Crematorium.

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HEATH
Frank Herbert

Passed away peacefully on July 5, aged 79.

He will be missed by all his Family and Friends

The Funeral Service will take place on Monday, July 25, at 10am at Stafford Crematorium.

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MATTHEWS
Valerie Theresa

Passed away on July 8, 2016, aged 53 years.

Valerie will be sadly missed by all her loving Family.

Funeral Service will be held at Stafford Crematorium, on Friday, July 29, at 11am.

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Donations will be received for Cancer Research.

Valerie is now resting in a private Chapel of Repose at
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TRANTER
Joan

Of Heath Hayes.

Passed away peacefully at her home on July 13, 2016 aged 85 years.

Reunited with her devoted Husband Roger and beloved Mom of Robert, Jean, Elaine, Alan, Sheila, Roger, Ian, Paul, William, Martyn, David and Sally, also a loving Nan, Great-Nan, Aunty, Mother-in-law and Friend.

The Service will be held at St. John's Church, Heath Hayes, on Monday July 25, at 12 noon followed by Committal at Stafford Crematorium.

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Date: 21st July 2016

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Application Number : CH.16/05/709 M

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Coach Richie Carter puts Ryan Cotterell through his paces

George Murrin has been at the club for more than 40 years

Bobby Speed, aged 12, and Lewis Morris, 14, during a sparring session

Richie Carter with club trustees Gary Bate and Nick Griffiths

Young boxing hopefuls get Carter treatment

RICHIE Carter has joined forces with Wolverhampton Boxing Club in a move that will double the fight factory's numbers.

He's returning to his roots at their Willenhall Road site after starring as a youngster at national level himself as an unpaid fighter.

Hailing from nearby East Park, Carter represented the now-defunct Bilston outfit that his late father Alan ran and claimed a full national title in the 1987 junior ABA competition.

He then boxed for England before turning pro at middleweight, featuring another 12 times with 10 wins and just one loss before hanging up his gloves in 1992.

He returned to the sport 20 years later to form his own club, Richie Carter's Golden Gloves, which was based in Essington before moving to Wolverhampton.

A fire that gutted the Bushbury Weights and Fitness Centre, where they were tenants, in May left him and his members homeless.

Impetus

Now 45, Carter is hoping to bring further impetus to a new-look regime, with his fighters set to double the carded combatants ahead of the new season.

The coaching staff will also multiply, with Wolverhampton BC – the oldest club in the city having celebrated its 80th birthday – looking to get busy again after a period of mourning.

Former president, secretary and treasurer John Thomas passed away last September. The 77-year-old had served for 40 years and was regarded as their front of house.

His memory lives on, as does the heritage of the club. Apart from Wolves, it is the only organisation permitted to use the City of Wolverhampton crest.

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By Craig Birch

"This was an easy choice and something to get excited about. It's a challenge for me."

Carter, who has become a successful businessman and a married father-of-two since calling time on fighting, feels proud to be given the opportunity to help lead the club into the future.

He said: "To be honest, I felt like jacking it all in when our gym burned down. My lads have had to train all over the shop.

"Me and the trustees at Wolverhampton got in touch through mutual friends. We had a meeting and it's all gone on from there.

"This was an easy choice and something to get excited about. It's a challenge for me. This is one of the oldest boxing establishments going.

"I want to do them justice and that means getting champions out of here in the near future. I know myself how hard is to run a boxing club now and many hands make light work. At points, I never had the time to coach.

"I haven't yet proved how good I can be. I've been to the top and I wanted to take others there. Now I can concentrate on getting these lads and this club back to where it belongs.

"I'm Wolverhampton through and through, everyone knows me around here and I hope I'll get a good response from the local people. I loved 'Tommo', as we all did. I remember even when I was a pro he used to help me out and give me the keys to the gym so I could train during the day.

"Myself, the people who are already there and those who are coming with me all bring something to the table. I expect an extra 10 per cent from everyone now."

Carter will transfer his 10 carded fighters over to his new allegiance, with plans to add more of his prospects as they are cleared in the autumn. Wolverhampton are looking to add a double-figure number themselves.

One of Carter's right-hand men, Gary Sands, is joining him with his younger brother David expected to help out. Tony Evans and Wayne Clenton will do likewise, after taking a course.

Clearance

Dennis Stephenson, Graham McFayden, George Murrin and Marcus Ashman – who doubles up as matchmaker – are already on the coaching staff, with Lee Coldicott also awaiting clearance.

Gary Bate and Nick Griffiths are fully qualified but have been serving in behind-the-scenes roles, as temporary secretary and treasurer respectively, after George Langford left through ill-health.

Carter will get down to business on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The juniors are put through their paces from 6pm to 7pm, before the seniors train until 8.30pm. Ashman runs the same set-up on Tuesdays and Thursdays, around sparring on Wednesday evenings with other clubs.

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Aug 27	Whitby Town	H
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Sep 10	Frickley Athletic	H
Sep 20	Ilkeston	A
Sep 24	Nantwich Town	A
Sep 26	Mickleover Sports	H
Oct 01	Buxton	H
Oct 04	Sutton Coldfield	A
Oct 08	Rushall Olympic	A
Oct 10	Corby Town	H
Oct 15	Blyth Spartans	H
Oct 18	Barwell	A
Oct 22	Skelmersdale Utd	A
Oct 31	Sutton Coldfield	H
Nov 05	Grantham Town	H
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Racing twins encounter more bad luck

TWO weeks of hard labour, calling on favours and working into the early hours ensured Kurt Wigley was able to join his brother on the starting grid for round six of the British Superstock 600 series.

The Hednesford-based twins worked in tandem to rebuild Kurt's bike after a crash a fortnight earlier completely wrote off his Yamaha R6.

The hard work paid off as Kurt managed to move up from 13th place after two frustrating qualifying sessions involving more crashes, which also saw his father break a foot and his brother taken out on the second bend of the opening lap.

"A few people, particularly our sponsors, provided bits and pieces," said Kurt. "We were also provided with a student studying mechanics from a nearby college, who worked with us rebuilding the bike.

"The only part that really survived the crash was the engine. Everything else we had to replace ourselves.

"Another sponsor, MPPT, also put some money forward but we had to fund the rest ourselves."

Kurt Wigley in action. Credit: *ianbikesportspics*

Just when things were starting to look up for the twins, their father Martin broke a foot stepping out of the race van, which left them without anyone to drive the race truck.

Their uncle Ade agreed to step forward and they were able to make their way to Snetterton – but still their bad luck was far from over.

"It was a really up and down weekend for us again," said Kurt. "Having spent all that time rebuilding the bike, during Friday's practice session we just wanted to make sure everything was working correctly.

"Almost straight away I was taken out when another rider crashed into the back of me. When I got myself together I realised it was the same rider to took Matt out last week.

"We then had to get the bike approved by the BSB mechanics so by the time we were given the okay there were only six laps left.

"I worked my up from the late 20s to 13th in the end. I kept on improving but I just ran out of laps.

"Then the second session was deemed a wet one so I couldn't improve my position."

Despite more bad luck Kurt pushed from the green light in the actual race, working his way up to eighth by the opening lap.

He continued to improve setting fastest sector times eventually climbing up to fifth but ran out of time to get on the podium.

ACE O'CONNOR STILL ON BALL

A LEADING football academy run by former Walsall favourite Martin O'Connor has a new home after teaming up with a Cannock school.

The Martin O'Connor Education & Football Academy, which runs in partnership with Chasetown FC, is moving from The Scholars Ground to Norton Canes High School.

Launched last year, the academy aims to develop players for Chasetown's first team, while also providing them with the qualifications needed to have successful careers in sport and business.

Run similar to youth set-ups at professional clubs, players train in the morning before heading into the classroom in the afternoon.

Develop

But such has been its rapid growth over the past 12 months, O'Connor required a new home that would provide first-class facilities both in sporting terms and academically.

"The academy has done fantastically well in it's first year," he said. "Football wise we finished third in the Football Conference Youth Alliance. But we need to develop and improve our facilities and standards. I want us to progress.

"The partnership with Norton Canes High School – which is a really progressive school – fits fantastically well.

"When I spoke to the headteacher, I realised the school has the same aims and targets as what I have for my academy. So we came to a decision that it would benefit both parties if we joined forces."

O'Connor, now aged 48, said: "Of the courses we ran last season, 32 lads passed and we have one result pending. We believe we will have a 100 per cent pass rate. The GCSE results come out in August and we expect to do well there.

"The attendance is 95 per cent so, for me, it's a really great thing to be a part of. We are football academy but it's not about football. It's education that drives us."

O'Connor believes teaming up with the school will be hugely beneficial for his young players. "We will still be playing under Chasetown in the FAYA," he said. "But we need better facilities and Norton Canes offers us better facilities."

Headteacher Sara Birchall said: "The academy is going to be fully integrated into the school so we are going to benefit from their expertise and professional coaching with Martin."

Martin O'Connor with, from left, Maureen Sneud, Jeanette Evans, Sara Birchall, Les Bullock, Gary Belcher and Beryl Hall at Norton Canes High

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Sonny ups game ahead of big fight

SONNY Upton says he cannot afford to overlook William Warburton in Cannock this Sunday as a slip up could cost him his English title shot.

The super-welterweight is scheduled to face Chadwell Heath's Ben Hall for the vacant domestic crown on a Frank Warren show in September.

But he knows he can't be complacent in his warm up with Warburton, especially as the Lancastrian recently upset former British title challenger Jason Welborn. "The fight is about keeping busy and getting myself ready for Ben Hall, but you can't overlook anyone in this game," Upton, 27, said.

"Warburton knows his way around the ring so I've prepared fully, I know what to expect from him, and I'm ready to put on a show."

With Sonny's youngest brother, Anthony, fighting for the English super-lightweight crown this weekend and his oldest sibling Pauly already holding the Irish crown, a victory over Hall later this year could mean there are three champions in one household.

Sunday's bill is entitled 'Danger Zone' and is headlined by the eagerly anticipated English super-lightweight title clash between Anthony Upton and Luke Paddock.

The undercard at Chase Leisure Centre also features Reuben Arrowsmith, Sam Evans, English super-bantamweight champion Sean Davis, Swadlincote super-middleweight Zach Parker, Burton's Leon Gower, Derby debutant Sahib Singh Mann, and former world kickboxing champion Chad Sugden.

Doors open in Stafford Road at 12.30pm. Tickets are £30 and £60 ringside. Call 01543 504065.

Fans pitching in for Pitmen groundwork

HEDNESFORD Town have grounds for optimism ahead of the new season, thanks to the efforts of club supporters.

The Football Club Supporters Association have been busy since the end of last season, giving the toilets area at Keys Park a lick of paint. Taps and pipes have been restored, doors and locks either refitted or replaced and artificial turf has been laid by the dugouts and on the tunnel steps.

Hednesford Town FC Supporters' Association chairman Scott Smith said more volunteers were always needed.

On the pitch, the Pitmen followed up the 1-0 pre-season win over Chasetown with a 1-1 draw against Heath Hayes. Tom Thorley equalising Joe Hartshorne's goal. Wolves under-21s beat the Pitmen 2-1, Demetri Bown on target.

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